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- d. Three destroyer missions have been arranged for tomorrow, first mission beginning at 1400A. Targets are as follows:

<u>TARGET #</u>	<u>FIRED BY</u>	<u>OBSERVED BY</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>COORD</u>
# 1	HMS Lockout	Spitfire	Eny Gun	8927-0112
# 2	USS Gleaves	92 Div Arty	Bldgs	8726-9867
		AOP		8735-9878
# 3	HMS Lockout	Fwd Observer	E B	9140-0014

- e. A suspected 170mm located at L686-401 was reported bombed by our aircraft at 040925A. Pilots report one possible direct hit on gun pit and observed a large explosion, also noted one near miss on ammunition in vicinity of position. Pilots did not observe gun, but believe it possible that position was occupied. However subsequent shelling on PORRETTA (5812) at approximately 1200A was confirmed as 170mm. A crater Azimuth gave strong indication that this position is still active or that there is another position in the same area. Search for such a position is continuing.

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FORTE di MARMI 492921.3-392360.0
MONTE RONDINAJA 104/628
MT. PRANO 507676.0-391396.1

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 248 FA Bn, adjusted by its Ground OP fired on two active guns (917-999) at 1315A. An hour later when visibility improved, a precision adjustment was made, resulting in one round hitting the revetment, one landing in the gun pit and one hitting a house behind the gun and setting it afire. Fire was placed on this target again at 1550A.
- b. Battery A, 15 FA Obsn Bn adjusted the 633 FA Bn on one enemy gun at 900-004. Observers report area well covered.
- c. Inclement weather forced mine sweepers to cancel their schedule today. If weather permits, the mine sweepers will be cut tomorrow to continue clearing the water for the destroyers. The plan has been slightly modified to allow for more maneuverability in case the destroyers are attacked by enemy guns. Weather permitting the first mission will begin tomorrow at 1430A.
- d. Only one line of metro message was available today because of the poor visibility.

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- c. "C" Btry, 633 FA Bn (934-924) received counterbattery fire between 1130A and 1225A which interfered with the firing of assigned missions. The enemy placed harassing fire in the general area of FORTE DEI MARMI (92-93) from 1130A to 1800A securing several near misses on CP's and other installations.
- d. A total of 7 counterbattery missions, of which 5 were observed, were fired by corps artillery during the period. The 633 FA Bn fired 5 and the 248 FA Bn fired 2. These missions included 1 by annAOP on 8 - 10 AA guns on PUNTA BIANCO (77-02) pin pointed by the AOP as they fired on our bombers.
- e. Enemy coastal guns located on PUNTA BIANCO (77-02) and (78-03) were responsible for firing on the mine sweepers earlier in the day are being fired upon at the close of this period.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 311800A Dec to
011800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 208.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

An artillery PW from 1 Alpine Arty Regt, Monta Rosa Division, today confirmed the presence of this regiment in the area of CASTELNUOVO (L1208) and gave locations for two troops of the regiment which corresponded to previous photo locations. Photo cover of 31 December disclosed as unoccupied, 4 locations in L1109, L1113, L1207 and L1310 squares, and resulted in an interpretation of "Suspect Unoccupied" on two locations in L1310 and L1309 squares. Recent bombings in this area are believed responsible for destruction and neutralization of these positions. Along the coast, flash observers located an active enemy gun at U908-995, possibly a self-propelled, firing from a previously unreported position on 92 Division front. Photos revealed no new positions across the corps front and disclosed no change in positions in front of 92 Division, TF 45 or BEF sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

311800A - 010600A:	92 Div	8-Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	4	0	0	4	8
Lt	20	4	4	10	38
Med	28	5	0	6	39
Hvy	22	0	0	0	22
Total	74	9	4	20	107
010600A - 011800A:	92 Div	8-Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	8	3	0	11
Lt	0	0	0	0	0
Med	17	5	23	10	55
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	17	13	26	10	66
311800A - 011800A:	91	22	30	30	173

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div sector

Road in the 9393 sq - 6 rds; Vic PIETRASANTA (9792) - 2 rds.
Vic FORTE DI MARMI (9292) - 7 rds; Vic CP 92 Div (9883) - 16 rds.
Vic Service Btry 1125 Armd FA Bn (981-842) - 20 rds. Unknown areas received 36 rounds.

8-Ind Div sector

On the road in vic GALLICANO (1503) - 8 rds. Vic BARCA (1804) - 5 rds.

TF 45 sector

Vic FRADA (5116) - 3 rds. Road (5115) and (5116) - 23 rds.

BEF sector

Road in 5416 square - 10 rds.

Nature of fire:

Very light shelling throughout corps sector, with 92 Division receiving bulk of harassing on villages.

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Damage:

Service Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn reports vehicle damaged.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. Co A, 751 Tk Bn opened new position at 591-141 at 1030A.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	14	2	2	0	18
Harassing	21	3	3	0	27
Personnel	6	0	0	0	6
Mortars	1	0	0	0	1
Total	42	5	5	0	52

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	10	1	0	0	11
Ground OP	5	1	2	0	8
Unobserved	27	3	3	0	33
Total	42	5	5	0	52

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- At 2140A, 248 FA Bn fired on a 4 light gun enemy battery at 907-997 with the Btry A, 15 FA Obsn Bn making the adjustment. Good results were reported. Harassing fire was placed on this battery during the night and another adjustment was made at 0540A.
- Btry B, 633 FA Bn, adjusted by AOP of 248 FA Bn fired on WMB (890-013), and reported all rounds in the target area.
- Btry C, 633 FA Bn was registered by Btry A, 15 FA Obsn Bn.
- One gun from Btry C, 633 FA Bn moved forward under cover of darkness to position at 935-928. From this place it fired 3 harassing missions on points carefully selected by the S-2. This firing apparently had a high harassing value as evidenced by the fact that the Germans retaliated by shelling the vicinity of VIAREGGIO with estimated 170mm.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 011800A Jan 45
021800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 209, 2

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Daily photo cover since 26 Dec 44 reveals some shifting about of enemy guns in front of BEF-TF 45 sectors between 52 and 70 Eastings but discloses no extensive change in enemy artillery positions. As of 011800A, photo locations indicated a total of 46 positions on the right of the front with a total of 94 guns, the heaviest concentration being between 58 and 62 Eastings from 225 to 285 Northings, where a total of 14 positions containing 32 guns are located vicinity PIETRA COLORA, CASTEL D' ALANO and SASSOMOLARE. During recent days 5 new positions have been discovered in L5219(2), L5525(2), and L5724 sqs with a total of 10 guns, while reports of "unoccupied" have been rendered on 5 positions with a total of 8 guns in L5523, L5623, L5621, L6228 and L4519 sqs. In the area around and behind M. Belvedere (L5217) 4 photo locations remain occupied, one of which contains 2 known SP guns. Behind M. Castello Ridge (L5619) 2 positions remain active with 4 guns, while 6 positions around Montese (L5524) disclose 18 guns. Shell fragments confirm heavy artillery with fields of fire in BEF sector, but no definite locations of enemy heavy pieces have been determined. Photo cover of 1 Jan 45 revealed no change in enemy artillery locations.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:						
	92 Div	8-Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps	
011800A - 020600A:						
Unk	0	0	0	0	0	
Lt	0	0	0	35	35	
Med	17	0	0	94	111	
Hvy	44	0	0	15	59	
Total	61	0	0	144	205	
020600A - 021800A:						
Unk	31	9	0	23	69	
Lt	50	43	9	155	257	
Med	16	5	1	56	78	
Hvy	8	0	0	20	28	
Total	105	57	10	254	426	
011800A - 021800A:	166	57	10	398	631	

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 102 rds, 70 rds were in 9495 sq, 30 rds were in 9495 sq. 2 rds were in 9295 sq. Vic QUERCETA (9594) - 6 rds. Vic RIPA (9695) - 15 rds. Vic PIETRASANTA (9792) - 4 rds. Road in 9494 sq. received 21 rds.

8-Ind Div sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 32 rds, 20 rds were in 1801 sq, and 12 rds in 1503 sq. Vic BARGA (1804) - 4 rds.

TF 45 sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 10 rds, 7 rds were in 5213 sq, 2 rds in 5115 sq. and 1rd in 5116 sq.

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BEF sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 109 rds. 50 rds in 6322 sq, 10 rds in 6021 sq, 20 rds in 6321sq, 12 rds in 5919 sq and 17 rds in 6621 sq. Vic MARANO (6219)-31 rds, Vic RIOLI (6419)-16 rds, Vic SILLA (5814)-8 rds, Vic FORTI (5812)-38 rds, Vic LA SERRA (6420)-86 rds. Road in 6630 sq received 40 rds. 2 Flat "A" Co. 751 Tk Bn(6115) received 30 rds of CB fire.

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing fire in all sectors with BEF receiving the bulk of the shelling.

Damage: 11 enlisted men and two officers wounded in BEF sector.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. Btry "A" 248 FA Bn (155H) moving to new position (930-933) at end of period.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
Btry in posn	33	2	1	0	16
Harassing	13	0	5	0	18
Personnel	0	1	0	0	9
Total	34	3	6	0	43

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
ACP	0	0	0	0	0
Grd CP	0	3	1	0	12
Unobserved	26	0	5	0	31
Total	34	3	6	0	43

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 248 FA Bn fired upon a 3 or 4 medium gun Anti-Aircraft battery (8993-9787) with the ground CP of 633 FA Bn making the adjustment. All rounds fell in the target area causing an explosion.

b. Btry "A" 15 FA Obsn Bn adjusted the "Long Toms" of the 633 FA Bn on two enemy batteries. Rounds covered the target areas of both batteries. A fire was started near the gun position, (8904-0130) which was active when fired upon.

c. 633 FA Bn fired on enemy personnel at 867-035 with the Btry "A" 15 FOB making the adjustment. No visible effect could be observed.

d. Preparations are being made to fire naval guns on selected targets along the coast. The water has been mine-swept to the 79 Northings. However the water will have to be swept further north before the naval guns can be properly employed against lucrative targets.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 021800A Jan to
031800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Arty Dispositions -

Photo cover of 2 January 45 disclosed 3 new enemy gun positions in front of TF 45 - BEF. These positions included 3 medium guns in L4828 sq, 3 light guns in L6422 sq and two light guns in L6423 sq. Photo study of likely areas along good roads disclosed one heavy gun position in L6840 sq which is thought to be a 170mm. 4 positions in L5925, L5724, L6428 and L6427 squares, containing 10 guns were reported as being unoccupied. Cover in 8 Indian Division and 92 Division sectors was of poor quality. No new positions were disclosed. Two positions in L1213 and L1213 squares with 3 guns are believed to be unoccupied, although interpretation of 75% of the positions in the area from 18 Easting to the coast was impossible. During the night, sound bases located 3 enemy gun locations along the coast in U9198, U9099 and U9197 squares, none of which correspond to confirmed photo locations. These locations may be attributed to the presence of self-propelled artillery throughout the area or of batteries that have not as yet been located by photographic intelligence by reason of use of buildings, other existing cover, or extremely well camouflaged gun positions by the enemy.

b. Enemy Arty Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	8-Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
021800A - 030600A:					
Unk	5	0	0	6	11
Lt	26	0	0	66	92
Med	9	0	0	67	76
Hvy	4	0	0	8	12
Total	<u>44</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>191</u>
030600A - 031800A:					
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	6	12	9	39	66
Med	1	0	0	28	29
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>7</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>95</u>
021800A - 031800A:	51	12	9	214	286

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div sector

Vic QUERCETA (9594) - 25 rds; Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (9292) - 13 rds.
Vic VECCHIA (9795) - 2 rds; Unknown areas - 11 rds.

8-Ind Div sector

Shelling of forward infantry in L1806, L1906, and L1907 and roads at L1602, and L15-06 - total of 12 rds.

TF 45 sector

Vic GAGEIO MONTANO (L5816) - 7 rds; a road at L5115 - 2 rds.

BEF sector

Shelling during first 12 hours of period principally on forward infantry in the L6321, L6322, L6519 and L64-19 squares

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Shelling during second 12 hours: Two roads - L6440 - 4 rds and L5615 - 27 rds. Unknown areas - 15rds.

Nature of fire:

Normal harassing of roads, villages and forward elements.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. A Btry, 248 FA Bn closed in new position at 9380-9135, Center Line - 6000A, at 2100A.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	328 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	12	1	2	0	0	15
Harassing	17	1	2	2	0	22
Personnel	12	0	2	0	0	14
Mortars	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	42	2	6	2	0	52

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	328 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	12	0	0	0	0	12
Ground OP	10	1	1	0	0	12
Unobserved	20	1	5	2	0	28
Total	42	2	6	2	0	52

- c. Survey - A ground station "Gil" was established at Coord. 493768.2-392604.5. The "Hub", a 40mm shell casing is driven in flush with the ground. Station is at edge (North) of road, 52 yards NE of red brick wall and 5 yards south of stone pillar which is tagged with red target cloth.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Tomorrow at 0900, Minesweepers will begin clearing the water north to approximately 863-849. Sweeping will cease about 1300A. Corps Arty AOP patrol will cover the sweepers and adjust the 633 FA Bn (155 G) on any active enemy coastal defense guns which fire on the sweepers. It is planned that ships will enter the mine swept areas by Friday afternoon to perform three observed missions. Maximum range will be generally from MARINA DI CARRARA to MASSA.
- b. Two batteries and other elements of the 53 Pz Regt are scheduled to move to vicinity BORGEA MOZZANO (227-928) closing in that area at 1800A, on 4 January.
- c. C Btry, 633 FA Bn is moving to 9337-9246 at end of period.
- d. B Btry, 633 FA Bn is preparing positions at 938-924 for occupation at some indefinite future date.
- e. B and C Btrys, 248 FA Bn, are preparing positions at 938-932 and 922-935 respectively for occupation at some future date.
- d. Two TOT's were fired by Corps Arty by the 248 and 403 FA Bns on enemy supply and kitchens and occupied buildings at 1630A and 1645A respectively.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 031800 Jan to
041800 Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Further evidence of the shifting of enemy artillery in the BEF sector was disclosed by photo cover of 2 Jan 45, which recorded one new location and revealed that ~~the abandoned~~ ~~locations~~ ~~had~~ been abandoned.

Four heavily camouflaged objects, believed to be guns, were reported in L-6927 sq. A heavy gun location recently picked up in L-6840 sq was found to be unoccupied although much recent activity and abandonment of camouflage was evidenced. The following positions have been reported unoccupied: 3 guns light - L6132; 1 gun light - L5922; 2 guns light - L6929; 2 guns light - L6429; 2 guns light - L6530; 2 guns light - L6929.

In front of 8 Indian Division, photos recorded the abandonment of one 4-gun position in L-1309 sq but gave positive occupancy rating to one 2-3 gun old position in L-1310 sq. Photo cover over this sector now reveals only 8 positions containing 26 guns concentrated between 11 and 16 eastings and 075 and 115 northings.

No new locations were disclosed in 92nd Division, 8th Indian Division or Task Force 45 sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported -

1800 - 0600:	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	12	0	0	0	12
Lt	55	0	0	0	55
Med	71	0	0	62	133
Hvy	24	0	0	5	29
Total	162	0	0	67	229

0600 - 1800	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	8	36	0	8	52
Med	90	0	21	9	120
Hvy	0	0	0	9	9
Total	98	36	21	26	181

1800 - 1800:					
Total	260	36	21	93	410

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector -

Forward infantry elements received a total of 32 rds. 12 rds were in U9596 sq, 12 rds in U9696 sq and 8 rds in U9695 sq. Road between CINQUALE (9095) and FORTE dei MARMI (9292) received 50 rds; also roads in 9693, 9692 and 9690 squares received a total of 18 rds. Vic PIETRASANTA (9792) - 10 rds, vic QUERCETA (9594) - 67 rds, vic FORTE DEI MARMI (9292) - 31 rds, vic VALLECHIA (9795) 8 rds.

8 Ind Sector -

Forward infantry elements received a total of 30 rds, 16 rds were in 1503 sq, 14 rds in 1705 sq. Road in 1803 sq received 6 rds.

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TF 45 Sector -

Forward infantry elements in 5116 sq received 21 rds.

BEF Sector -

Forward infantry elements in 6322 sq received 7 rds. Road in 5715 sq received 13 rds. Vic MARANO (6218) - 32 rds; vic STANCO (7122) - 8 rds; vic PORRETTA (5812) - 19 rds; vic RIOLA (6419) - 11 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements and road nets.

Damage:

BEF reported 4 men killed and 22 wounded in PORRETTA (5812)

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. 1st Plat, "A" Co, 751 Tk Bn closed in new position, coordinates L598-147 at 0425A.

3. OPERATIONS:

- a. Missions fired:

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	328 Bn	Total
Btry in pos	4	1	7	0	0	12
Harassing	11	2	9	0	0	22
Troops	8	0	0	0	0	8
Mortars	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	24	3	16	0	0	43

- b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	328 Bn	Total
Air OP	4	0	3	0	0	7
Ground OP	9	1	2	0	0	12
Unobserved	11	2	11	0	0	24
Total	24	3	16	0	0	43

MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Two active enemy batteries were located and adjusted on by flash base during the period. Guns were silenced in both cases. High burst adjustment was also made by flash base to obtain corrections for time fire harassing during the night.
- b. The following reports of firing VT Fuze by II Corps Arty is of interest:
- (1) Night of 3 Jan - 155 H fired 40 rds of VT Fuzed ammunition at an enemy battery at range 9000 yds; No duds; no random bursts. Average height of bursts 25 yds above ground.
- (2) Day of 4 Jan - 105 H fired 9 rds of VT Fuzed ammunition at enemy personnel. All functioned normally. Total time for completion of mission, including clearing the air of AOP's, 23 minutes.
- c. Capt W. G. Finch and Lt W. C. Bennett of Research and Development Service, Office Chief of Ordnance, and attached to Ordnance of Fifth Army will be in IV Corps area for a few days to answer any questions on VT fuze. They will visit the following units on the days indicated:
- 5 Jan - 85 Div Arty Bns
5 Jan - 248 FA Bn
6 Jan - 1st Arm'd Div Arty
6 Jan - 92 Div Arty Bns.

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Period: 041800 Jan to
051800 Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Good quality photo cover of 4 January 45 gave a fairly complete picture of enemy artillery locations in front of TF 45 - BEF sector. The following summary is believed to be a reasonably good estimate of the enemy artillery disposition along this front, between the 46 and 70 Eastings.

L4619 square	1 position	3 guns
MONTESE Area (L5524)	1 position	3 guns
M. BELVEDERE Area (L5217)	1 position	2 SP guns
	3 positions	5 Lt guns
	1 position	2 SP guns (susp)
M. TERMINALE Area (L5621)	3 positions	7 Lt guns
MONTESE Area (L5524)	5 positions	12 Lt guns
	1 position	3 Med guns
	1 position	3 Lt guns (susp)
PIETRA COLORA (L5922)	1 position	3 Lt guns
M. ACIDOLA Area (L5923)	2 positions	4 Lt guns
SASSOMOLARE Area (L5924)	5 positions	10 Lt guns
M. DELLA SPE Area (6126)	2 positions	4 Lt guns
	1 position	2 Lt guns (susp)
BOCCA DEI RAUARI Area (6227)	1 position	2 Lt guns
	1 position	2 Med guns
CEREGLIO Area (L6628)	3 positions	7 guns
RODIANO Area (L6830)	1 position	2 Lt guns
	1 position	3 guns
Total	35	79

Since 19 December 44, little change has been noted in the general disposition of enemy artillery in the BEF sector. However, it is apparent that some artillery in the M. TERMINALE (L5621) area has withdrawn to more secure positions vic MONTESE (L5524). No substantial changes have been noted in number of locations or enemy pieces.

One new position was located on photo cover of 4 January 45. This location in L5624 square is believed to contain 3 guns of medium caliber. A nearby position in L5522 square which was suspected of being occupied by two light guns was reported unoccupied as a result of this cover.

Close examination of recent photo cover reveals one probable heavy gun position in P8205 square in front of 92 Division. No other changes are indicated in 92 or 8 Indian Division sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported		TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
1800A - 0600A:	92 Div 8 Ind			
Unk	20 0	0	0	20
Lt	38 0	0	0	38
Med	2 0	0	0	2
Hvy	0 0	0	0	0
Total	60 0	0	0	60

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O600A - 1800A:	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	1	0	0	0	1
Lt	36	47	0	0	83
Med	45	0	0	8	53
Hvy	27	0	0	0	27
Total	109	47	0	8	164
1800A - 1800A:	169	47	0	8	224

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

87 rounds fell on forward elements (9495) square.
 26 rounds fell on roads (9490) square and (9591) square.
 13 rounds fell at FORTE DEI MARMI (9292) square.
 12 rounds fell at QUERCETA (9594) square. 13 rounds
 fell in the (9992) square.

8 Indian Sector

47 rounds fell on forward infantry elements in the
 1502, 1601, 1607 squares including 16 rounds of 88mm fire
 from suspected AA positions.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector

8 round concentration of medium caliber fell at
 SILLA (5814) square.

Nature of fire:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements and rear
 areas in 92 and 8 Indian Division sectors and 8 round
 concentration vic L5814 in BEF Sector.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	328 Bn	Total
Btry in position	1	1	3	0	0	5
Harassing	15	0	6	0	2	23
Personnel	4	0	0	0	0	4
Total	20	1	9	0	2	32

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	328 Bn	Total
Air OP	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	0	1	3	0	0	4
Unobserved	20	0	6	0	2	28
Total	20	1	9	0	2	32

c. Survey -

The following control points have disappeared or have been

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Period: 051800 Jan to
061800 Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No substantial change in enemy artillery dispositions is indicated. Two coastal defense positions on PUNTA BIANCO (P7802), containing estimated Italian 152mm guns, and a suspected position of 2-170 caliber guns in E8206 square were determined active by the flash team. A furrow azimuth from 170 caliber shelling of PORRETTA TERME (L5812) points in the direction of MONTECUCCOLI (L4629).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

1800 - 0600:	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	11	0	1	0	12
Lt	31	0	0	0	31
Med	80	0	0	13	93
Hvy	0	0	0	1	1
Total	122	0	1	14	137

0600 - 1800:	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	8	0	0	0	8
Lt	18	60	0	12	90
Med	19	10	0	5	34
Hvy	74	0	0	3	77
Mixed	40	0	0	0	40
Total	159	70	0	20	249

1800 - 1800 -	281	70	1	34	386
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector -

Roads at - (92-94) - 3 rds, (97-95) - 15 rds, (97-94) - 2 rds, (93-92) - 5 rds, (96-93) - 26 rds, (96-91) - 15 rds, (96-96) - 2 rds.

Forward infantry elements at - (96-95) - 4 rds, (93-95) - 27 rds, (96-96) - 10 rds, (94-95) - 7 rds.

Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (92-92) - 10 rds, vic QUERCETA (95-94) - 46 rds, vic RIPA (96-95) - 4 rds, vic "C" Btry, 600 FA Bn (94-90) - 4 rds, vic "C" Btry, 633 FA Bn (93-92) - 13 rds, vic "A" Btry, 248 FA Bn (93-91) - 15 rds, vic "A" Btry, 1125 FA Bn (95-91) - 40 rds.

8 Ind Sector -

A total of 70 rds on FDL's in following squares: (19-02) (19-03) - (16-04) - (13-02) - (15-02) - (14-02) - (18-03). - Roads in following squares: (17-00) - (17-01) - (16-02), also in vic of GALLICANO (15-03)

TF 45 Sector -

A road at (51-16) - 1 rd.

BEF Sector -

Vic RIOLA (64-19) - 13 rds, vic PORRETTA (58-12) - 14 rds road at (57-12) - 7 rds.

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Nature of fire:

Marked in crease of harassing in 92 Div Sector with CB on "C" Btry, 600 FA Bn, "C" Btry, 633 FA Bn, "A" Btry, 248 FA Bn, "A" Btry, 1125 FA Bn. Normal harassing of roads and FDL's in 8 Ind and TF 45 sectors. Noticeable decrease of enemy artillery shelling in BEF sector.

Damage:

366 Inf AT Co reports 1 - 57mm gun destroyed. "A" Btry, 1125 AFA Bn reports 1 gun destroyed and ammunition exploded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	328 Bn	Total
Btry in pos	7	5	2	0	0	14
Harassing	20	0	0	0	2	22
Personnel	2	0	2	0	0	4
Total	29	5	4	0	2	40

b. Observation:

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	328 Bn	Total
Air OP	0	2	0	0	0	2
Ground OP	2	2	3	0	0	7
Unobserved	27	1	1	0	2	31
Total	29	5	4	0	2	40

c. Survey -

Station Mac, a ground station, was established at coord. 495910.9-391313.4. The hub of a 40mm shell casing is driven in flush with the ground. It is located on the south edge of the PIETRASANTA, FURMETLO road about a mile from PIETRASANTA. The guard stake close to the station is marked with red target cloth.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. The destroyer missions were carried out on prearranged schedule as follows:

Target #1. Enemy occupied buildings and suspect CP at U8726-9867 and U8735-9878. 85 rounds were fired at this target from HMS Lookout. Observation was by high performance aircraft, a Spitfire. This mission was completed at 1450A. 3 direct hits were reported on the buildings and other rds in the area.

Target #2. Enemy CP in building at U9171-9664. 102 rds were fired on this target from USS Woolsey. An AOP was used for observation. One direct hit on the building was secured and adjacent barn was set on fire and the other rds were in the target area. Difficulty was experienced by the AOP observer in picking up the initial rounds which appeared to be erratic. The mission was completed at 1515A.

Target #3. Enemy battery "BV" at U9140-0014. 54 rds were fired on this target by HMS Lookout. Observation was from a ground OP who reported all rds in the area with no other visible effect.

b. A train of 20 mules with attendant personnel was observed by a ground OP of the 248 FA Bn and adjusted on with one howitzer. The train disbursed and shortly thereafter was strafed by our aircraft. Observed harassing fire was placed on the locality during the rest of the day.

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Period: 061800A Jan to
071800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Enemy artillery activity was relatively light during the period. Five rounds of 170mm were reported landing vic PORRETTA (L5812) during the day. Furrow azimuths from this shelling direct attention to the far right front of the sector. Along the coast, sound base located one enemy battery firing from P8901 square during early morning hours.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

1300 - 0600:	92 Div	3 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	2	1	0	0	3
Lt	36	14	0	10	60
Med	91	0	0	0	91
Hvy	10	0	0	0	10
Total	139	15	00	10	164

0600 - 1300	92 Div	3 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	2	2
Lt	3	97	0	51	151
Med	28	14	0	18	60
Hvy	0	0	0	5	5
Total	31	111	0	76	218

1300 - 1800:	92 Div	3 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
	170	126	0	36	332

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector -

Forward infantry elements received a total of 53 rds; 28 rds were in 9596 sq and 25 rds in 9696 sq. Roads received a total of 64 rds; 32 rds were in 9495 sq, 24 rds in 9794 sq and 8 rds in 9393 sq. Vic QUERCETA (9594) - 20 rds, vic PIETRASANTA (9792) - 10 rds, vic VALLE-CCHIA (9795) - 11 rds.

3 Ind Sector -

Forward infantry elements in 1906, 1805, 1600, 1704, 1899, 1701, 1700 and 1502 squares received a total of 126 rds.

TF 45 Sector -

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector -

Vic RIOLA (6520) - 10 rds, vic BOMBIANA (5818) - 40 rds, vic MORANO (6219) - 6 rds, and vic PORRETTA (5812) - 19 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements and roads nets.

Damage:

None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. 403 FA Bn (155 H) and 328 FA Bn (105 H) relieved attachment IV Corps Arty and reverted to parent organization (85 Div Arty) as of 070600A.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	63633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Btry in pos	1	1	1	3
Harassing	16	0	0	16
Personnel	5	0	1	6
RR Train	0	1	0	1
Total	22	2	2	26

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Air OP	0	1	0	1
Ground OP	4	1	1	6
Unobserved	18	0	1	19
Total	22	2	2	26

c. Survey - Following control point has been established by Army Engineers:

Rataio New 499309.7-390322.2, Pole and vane signal over Iron bar 2 feet high on tower on SW side of old fort.

The following provisional coords are submitted:

Musso Tower	485520-400249	Center line of large tower along shore line.
Water Tower	487903-400345	Center line of water tower.
Fabbiano White	497643-398374	Center line white tower vic of Fabbiano.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Lt Lieb, IV Corps Arty pilot-observer, spotted a working party building or repairing a bridge at 889-988. He adjusted the 1125 AFA Bn and very successfully interrupted the work.
- b. Several Ground OP's observed a railroad train vicinity 852-032. An AOP verified the presence of the train but was unable to adjust. 248 FA Bn ground OP made the adjustment and reported a small fire started.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 071800 Jan to
081800 Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 8.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 7 Jan 45, was confined to the coastal sector and Serchio Valley area and was of relatively poor quality. It disclosed one new location in the coastal area in front of the 92nd Div in P8900 sq. This location is reported as containing two light guns. In the Serchio Valley sector positions in L0609 and L1307 sqs were reported unoccupied. Shell fragments picked up in U9793 sq, following shelling at 020400A are identified as 1944, 170mm ammunition. Furrow azimuth taken on a shell crater in the area indicate the projectiles may have been fired by enemy guns on PUNTA BIANCA (P7802).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

1800 - 0600:	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	8	0	0	2	10
Lt	2	0	0	21	23
Med	130	0	0	19	149
Hvy	24	0	0	0	24
Mixed	200	0	0	0	200
Total	364	0	0	42	406

0600 - 1800	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	6	0	0	0	6
Lt	77	80	0	60	217
Med	118	1	0	23	142
Hvy	21	0	0	1	22
Total	222	81	0	84	387

1800 - 1800 586 81 0 126 793

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292)-121 rds

Vic QUERCIA (U9594) -67 rds

Vic RIPA (U9695)-13 rds

Vic PIETRASANTA (U9792)-31 rds

Vic VALLECCHIA (U9795)-10 rds.

Forward infantry elements received a total of 60 rds falling in the (U9495) and (U9595)sqs. Roads received a total of 73 rds falling in the (U9693), (U9194), (U9793) and (U9794) sqs. 200 rds of mixed arty was reported as falling all along the coastal sector front between the hours of 0100A and 0200A.

8 Ind Div Sector

Vic BARGA (L1804)-58 rds

Forward infantry elements received a total of 22 rds falling in the (L1503) (L1806) and (L1906) sqs.

BEF Sector

Vic PORETTA (L5811)-15 rds Vic RIOLA (L6419)-12 rds

Road in (L6115) sq received a total of 24 rds. Forward Inf elements received a total of 12 rds falling in (L6321) sq. 20 rds of Med Cal fell in the area of "A" Trp 168LAM in the (L6416) sq.

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Nature of fire:

Considerable increase in shelling on left of corps sector, with concentrations reported along the 92 Div front in the coastal sector, and one instance of CE fire reported in the BEF sector. Harassing on roads and villages continued steadily throughout the period.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No Change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in posn	3	2	2	12
Harassing	14	0	0	14
Personnel	1	0	0	1
Mortars	0	0	0	6
Total	29	2	2	33

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
ADP	0	0	0	0
Grd OP	3	0	1	4
Unobserved	26	2	1	29
Total	29	2	2	33

c. Survey:

The following survey control is provided by Army Engrs:

Chistri	509107.6-382637.7	Mail in centre of cement block at roof of tall church tower.
Pennr Now	536065.5-398133.5	Pole and vane signal 10 feet high
	Ht. 1176.0 to G.L.	on summit of Pennr di Lucchio.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 248 FA Bn, was adjusted by Btry "A", 15 FA Obsn Bn on active enemy guns located at 882-004. Smoke prevented the flash base from completing the adjustment. A description of the gun location was passed on to OP #1, 248 FA Bn which completed the adjustment. All rounds fired for effect were reported to have fallen in the target area.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMYPeriod: 091800A JAN to
101800A JAN 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 10.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 9 January 45 disclosed four formerly occupied positions in front of BEF - TF 45 sector between 52 and 60 eastings to be unoccupied. A total of nine light guns had been reported in these positions and their abandonment indicates a withdrawal of enemy artillery from forward positions in the vicinity of M. Belvedere (L-5217), M. Castello (L-5619), M. Acedola (L-5922).

No change was noted in enemy artillery dispositions in 92nd Division sector and no new locations were observed across the entire Corps front.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity:

Number of rounds reported:

091800A - 100600A: 92 DIV

	COASTAL	SERCHIO	TF 45	BEF	IV CORPS
Unk	17	0	0	26	43
Lt	21	4	0	0	25
Med	27	6	0	15	48
Hvy	8	0	0	1	9
Total:	73	10	0	42	125

100600A - 101800A:

	COASTAL	SERCHIO	TF 45	BEF	IV CORPS
Unk	0	0	0	1	1
Lt	7	26	7	29	69
Med	0	4	3	38	45
Hvy	15	0	0	1	16
Total	22	30	10	69	131

091800A - 101800A 95 40 10 111 256

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div

Coastal Area: All the shelling during the night fell on FORTE DEI MARMI and roads and forward installations in the vicinity. During the day, 15 rds est hvy fell on forward elements in the (Q0197) square; 7 rds fell on forward elements in the (U9495) square.

Serchio Valley: 27 rds fell on BARGA (L1804) square.

TF 45 sector

3 rds fell on VIDICIATICO (L5013) square
7 rds fell in the (L5116) square

BEF sector

27 rds fell on BAMBIANA (L5818) Square
18 rds " " MARANO (L6219) "
19 rds " " PORRETTA (L5812) "
8 rds " " VOLPARA (L6220) "
22 rounds fell on forward infantry elements

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Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on towns, roads, and forward installations

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. "C" Btry, 633 FA Bn (155 G) opened in new position at 092100A at coordinates (U963-872)
- b. CP, 633 FA Bn (155 G) opened new position at 101200A at coordinates (U976-851)

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Btry in position	6	1	0	7
Harassing	5	00	3	8
CP or OP	1	0	0	1
Troops	8	0	0	8
MG & Mortars	3	0	0	3
Demonstration (VT)	0	0	3	3
Total	<u>23</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>30</u>

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Air OP	1	0	0	1
Ground OP	11	1	6	18
Unobserved	11	0	0	11
Total	<u>23</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>30</u>

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 248 FA Bn (155H) conducted VT fuze firing program today. in the coastal sector. The height of burst was very impressive (between 10-25 yards). Of the 16 rounds that were fired, one round was a random burst and one round was a dud. Similar programs will be fired by the 92 Div Arty and 424 FA Gp in the near future.
- b. "A" and "B" Btry 633 FA Bn (155G) were used in testing the flash reducer T1 by Ordnance today. Results of tests are unknown.
- c. 168/56 LAA Btry relieved from IV Corps Arty as of 091800A. This unit has done some excellent firing and will be missed by the many units that have come in contact with it.

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Period: 101800A Jan to
111800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Only partial photo cover was obtained over corps front on 10 January 45. It disclosed as unoccupied three (3) enemy artillery positions on BEF front which had been occupied recently. These positions in L5219, L5422 and L6023 squares formerly contained five light guns and two self-propelled guns or tanks.

No new locations were uncovered across the entire corps front and no changes were noted in enemy artillery dispositions in 92 Division sector.

Sound and flash observation accurately located 8 enemy guns in seven (7) positions in P8901, P8801, P9000, P8701 and P8902 squares during the period. Partisan reports confirm the enemy's use of buildings to afford cover and concealment for artillery pieces and instances are reported of light pieces firing from within buildings. Accurate flash locations have been obtained from large factory buildings in P8801 square and from the cluster of buildings in P8901 sq. west of MASSA.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	92 Div Arty 10	AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	23	0	0	0	23	
Lt	14	12	0	18	44	
Med	58	0	0	21	79	
Hvy	21	0	0	0	21	
Total	116	12	0	39	167	

	92 Div	92 Div Arty 10	AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0	
Lt	0	6	0	58	64	
Med	25	0	0	37	62	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	25	6	0	95	126	

101800A - 111800A:	141	13	0	134	293
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Arty Sector

Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292) - 43 rounds, vic QUERCETA (U9495) - 20 rounds, vic PIETRASANTA (U9792) - 17 rounds, vic 600 FA Bn OP - right (U9894) - 37 rounds.

10 AGRA Sector

Roads in L1801 and L1802 squares - received a total of 12 rounds. Vic BARGA (L1804) - 6 rounds.

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TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 46 rounds in L6322 square. Roads received a total of 29 rounds, 21 rounds were in L6519 square and 8 rounds in L5813 square. Vic GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516) - 10 rounds; vic RIOLA (L6419) - 21 rounds; vic SILLA (L5814) - 14 rounds; vic VOLPARA (L6220) 8 rounds; vic BOMBIANO (L5818) - 6 rounds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements, roads, towns and bridges.

Damage:

No damage reported to military personnel or installations.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

See Station List Hq IV Corps Arty dated 11 January 1945.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired:

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	7	2	0	9
Harassing	4	0	0	4
Personnel	4	0	0	4
	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17</u>

b. Observation:

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	6	0	0	6
Ground OP	4	0	0	4
Unobserved	5	2	0	7
	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17</u>

MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Tomorrow night 633 FA Bn will move one gun (155mm) to vicinity FORTE DEI MARMI to deliver deep harassing fires. Position will be occupied and evacuated during darkness.
- b. A program of TOT's will begin tomorrow in the coastal sector, massing fires of all available artillery.

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Period: 111800 Jan to
121800 Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 12.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Good photo cover of 11 January, 1945 over BEF front disclosed 6 new enemy artillery positions with a total of 11 guns in L5426, L6227, L6228, L6428, and L 6430 squares. 3 positions in L 6529, L6026 and L6428 squares, with a total of 8 guns were found to be unoccupied.

During the night, sound plots indicated activity of 6 enemy guns in P8900, P8901 and P8902 squares along the coast. In the SERCHIO VALEEEY area of 92 Div, Partisans reports located 3 enemy batteries in L1313 and L1708 squares. No photo cover was obtained over 92 Div or TF 45 sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

111800A - 120600A:		92 Div Sector				
	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps	
Unk	41	0	0	0	41	
Lt	63	0	0	2	65	
Med	74	0	0	0	74	
Hvy	33	0	0	0	33	
Total	211	0	0	2	213	

120600A - 121800A:		92 Div Sector				
	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps	
Unk	0	0	0	13	13	
Lt	0	19	0	52	71	
Med	4	0	0	2	6	
Hvy	5	0	0	7	12	
Total	9	19	0	74	102	

111800A - 121800A:	220	19	0	76	315
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector - Forward infantry elements in U9696 - 16 rds, vic QUERCETA (U9594) - 39 rds, vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292) - 63 rds, vic PIETRASANTA (U9792) - 6 rds, vic RIPA (U9695) - 43 rds, vic POZZI (U9694) - 23 rds, vic (U9794) - 25 rds.

10 AGRA Sector: Vic BARGA (L1805) - 8 rds, vic TRASSILICO (L1201) - 6 rds, vic GALLICANO (L1503) - 5 rds.

TF 45 Sector - No shelling reported.

BEF Sector - Forward infantry elements received a total of 12 rds, 7 rds were in L5416, L5516, L - 5617 squares and 5 rds estimated heavy cal in L5717 square, vic BOMBIANA (L5818) - 39 rds, vic MARANO (L6319) - 10 rds, two of these rds were estimated heavy cal.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward elements and towns. One concentration of 30-40 rds was reported falling in FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292) at 2133A.

Damage: None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 BN	248 Bn	Total
Btry in pos	5	0	0	5
Harassing	7	0	0	7
Personnel	4	2	6	12
Total	16	2	6	24

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 BN	248 Bn	Total
Ground OP	3	0	0	3
Unobserved	13	2	6	21
Total	16	2	6	24

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 2 TOT's were fired on enemy activity around CP's and supply points at 864-049 and 934-997 at 1100A. At 1200A another TOT was fired on kitchen and CP at 011-009, starting a fire.
- b. A Btry, 15 FA Obsn Bn established OP #4 at FIUMETTO (94477-90297). It is hoped that this OP, together with OP #3 at FORTE DEI MARMI will give some coverage of the MASSA area.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 121800 Jan to
131800 Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

121800A - 130600A: 92 Div Sector

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	5	0	0	6	11
Lt	9	8	0	18	35
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	8	0	24	46

130600A - 131800A: 92 Div Sector

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	6	10	0	0	16
Lt	21	54	0	65	140
Med	27	2	0	4	33
Hvy	9	0	0	0	9
Total	63	66	0	69	198

121800A - 131800A: 77 74 0 93 244

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Arty Sector

Vic C Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn (U9691) - 15 rds; vic C Co, 317 Engineer Bn (U9490) - 5 rds; vic PIETRASANTA (U9792) - 10 rds; vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292) - 24 rds.

Roads received a total of 22 rds, 12 rds of which were in U9494 sq, 8 rds in U9692 sq, and 2 rds in U9595 sq.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 22 rds, 12 rds of which were in L1404 sq, and 10 rds in L1906 sq.

Roads received a total of 35 rds, 10 rds in L1302 sq, 8 rds in L1802 sq, 7 rds in L2000 sq, 7 rds in L1803 sq, and 3 rds in L1801 sq. Vic BARGA (L1804) - 9 rds, vic CATAROZZO (L1701) - 8 rds.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector

Vic BOMBIANA (L5818) - 60 rds, vic MARANO (L6219) - 12 rds, vic SILLA (L5814) - 4 rds.

Roads received a total of 13 rds, 10 rds of which were in L5615 sq and 3 rds in L5116 sq.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements, roads, towns and bridges with one instance of CB fire on C Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn (U9691) sq.

Damage: None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Btry in position	2	0	3	5
Harassing	6	4	0	10
Troops	1	0	4	5
MG - Mortars	2	0	0	2
Total	<u>11</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>22</u>

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Air OP	0	0	4	4
Ground OP	1	0	3	4
Unobserved	10	4	0	14
Total	<u>11</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>22</u>

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. One piece from C Btry, 633 FA Bn (155 G) went into position during night in vicinity of FORTE DEI MARMI (U935-922) to fire 4 long range harassing missions. Piece returned to old position by daylight.
- b. A TOT was fired on an enemy CP at P934-002 at 1330A today. Air and ground OP's gave surveillance and reported hits on buildings and a large fire started.
- c. 92 Div Arty fired a demonstration today using VT fuze. A total of 5 missions were fired on various types of terrain. Out of 64 rds fired 92 Div Arty reported no random bursts and 6 unobserved rounds which were presumed to be duds.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 131800A Jan to
141800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 14

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

131800A - 140600A:	92 Div Sector				
	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	0	0	0	0
Med	2	0	0	0	2
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	0	0	0	2

140600A - 141800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	10	0	0	0	10
Lt	52	38	0	12	102
Med	3	0	0	10	13
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	65	38	0	22	125

131800A - 141800A: Total 67 38 0 22 127

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Arty Sector:

Roads received a total of 25 rds, 15 rds were along Hwy #1 in the U9495 sq. and 5 rds on forward elements in the 9695 sq. Vic QUERCETA (U9594) - 27 rds.

10 AGRA Sector:

Forward infantry elements in L1201, L1300 and L1803 squares received a total of 38 rds.

TF 45 Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Roads received a total of 13 rds; 8 rds were in L6219 and 3 rds in L56-15 squares. Vic BOMBILANA (L5818) - 4 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements, roads and towns.

Damage:

F troop, 76 HAA Regt reports several rounds of ammunition destroyed during enemy shelling of position area.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Btry in position	3	0	0	3
Harassing	10	0	0	10
Troops	1	3	2	6
Total	14	3	2	19

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b. Observation ~

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Air OP	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	0	0	1	1
Unobserved	<u>14</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>18</u>
Total	14	3	2	19

MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. The 92 Div Arty joined the two Corps Arty Bns in firing a TOT at 1200A on a known enemy occupied area at P898-032. An AOP gave surveillance, but no visible damage was observed.
- b. After time fire from another unit chased about ten men into a house, vicinity 921-977, 248 FA Bn (155 H) ground OP adjusted one howitzer on house, scoring three hits.
This Bn plans to have at least five positions from which the 3" gun can execute night harassing. Two guns will be sent out each night, gun crews being rotated. Sections will go into position, fire and move out as quickly as possible.
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Period: 141800A Jan to
15 1800 Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Study, on recent photo cover, of suspected areas and areas reported occupied by Partisan patrols in front of BEF sector on the right of the Corps front discloses five new enemy artillery positions with a total of 11 guns. These positions were located in the L5522, L5724, L6228, L5118, and L6728 squares.

As a result of recent shifting about of enemy artillery pieces, a total of approximately 30 guns are revealed to have changed locations, 16 of which have been relocated in new emplacements. As of 15 January 45, photo intelligence indicates 26 positions between 54 and 70 eastings, with a total of 69 guns. In the area north of M. BELVEDERE (L5217) 4 photo locations are now reported occupied with 4 light guns and two self-propelled guns.

No photo cover was obtained over forward areas of the front 13 and 14 January 45 and no changes in artillery dispositions are noted in 92nd Div or TF 45 sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

141800A - 150600A:		92 Div Sector				
		92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk		35	0	0	0	35
Lt		52	0	0	0	52
Med		235	0	0	26	261
Hvy		10	0	0	0	10
Total		332	0	0	26	358
150600A - 151800A		92 Div Sector				
		92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk		0	0	0	0	0
Lt		0	10	8	65	83
Med		12	0	0	11	23
Hvy		0	0	0	4	4
Total		12	10	8	80	110
141800A - 151800A Total		344	10	8	106	468

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Arty Sector:

Roads received a total of 148 rds; 20 rds fell on Hwy #1 at U969874, 30 rds in U9783 square, 19 rds in U9595 square, 35 rds in U9492 square, 17 rds in U9491 square, 14 rds in U9392 square, 8 rds in U9391 square. Vic PIETROLANTA (U9792) - 90 rds, vic FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) - 100 rds, vic QUERCETA (U9594) - 6 rds.

10 AGRA Sector:

Forward infantry elements in L1906 square received 10 rounds.

TF 45 Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006) - 8 rounds.

BEF Sector:

Forward infantry elements received a total of 24 rds, 15 rds were in L7173 sq, 4 rds in L6321 sq, and 4 rds in L6221 sq. Roads vic MARANO (L6319) and SILLA (L5814) - 26 rds. 4 rds estimated heavy fell on road at L679-195). Vic MORANO (L6219) - 9 rds, vic BOMBIANO (L5818) - 28 rds, vic RIOLA (L6419) 16 rds.

Volume of fire:

Harassing fire of ~~artillery~~ infantry elements, roads, and towns

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. A Btry 633 FA Bn moving to vic CASTEL DI CASCIO (L632-125) at end of period.
B Btry 633 FA Bn moving to 938-944 at end of period.
- b. B Btry 248 FA Bn moving to vic L630-149 at end of period.

OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Btry in position	4	1	2	7
Harassing	11	0	0	11
Personnel	3	0	4	7
Total	18	1	6	25

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Air OP	4	0	0	4
Ground OP	3	1	6	10
Unobserved	11	0	0	11
Total	18	1	6	25

MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Two successful 'TOT's were fired against enemy personnel at 944-976 & 900-007 by the 248 FA Bn and the 92 Div Arty. An AOP making surveillance reported all rounds in the target area, and several hits on house. A Btry, 15 FA Obsn Bn obtained a center of impact on the TOT at 944-976. Center of impact was only 40 yards from target.
- b. One gun from C Btry 633 FA Bn (155 G) will move into a forward position vic FORTE DEI MARMLA tomorrow night to deliver harassing fire on selected targets. The piece will return to old position by daylight.
- c. 248 FA Bn and 633 FA Bn each have received two 3" guns which will be used tomorrow to fire harassing missions. The guns attached to 248 FA Bn will fire from positions in 9991 sq and 9391 sq. The guns attached to 633 FA Bn will fire from 931-922.
- d. Fifth Army Artillery reports that 3 enemy soldiers of the 286 Regt, 148 Div were killed by unusually large fragments from an air burst on 4 January. Investigation revealed that 248 FA Bn was making a high burst registration on that day.
- e. Higher headquarters are eager to receive all available information of the effect of VT fuze on the enemy. Any information relative thereto will be reported through artillery channels as soon as possible.
- f. Flash simulators in the vic of old position, C Btry 633 FA Bn have fired a total of 17 rds in the last five days. In retaliation the enemy has fired 50 rds, several of which fell in the battery area.
- g. Ground OP adjusted the 248 FA Bn on a towed artillery piece observed pulling into position behind a house at 889-991. Two hits were scored on the house and a fire was started.
- h. Four OP's of Btry "A" 15 FA Obsn Bn picked up an active enemy battery at 888-029. The 248 FA Bn was adjusted on the target and the area was reported well covered.

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Period: 151800A Jan to
161800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 16.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Good photo cover of 15 Jan 45 across the entire sector of the Corps revealed little change in enemy artillery dispositions. In front of BEF, on the right flank, two positions which were formerly listed as suspect light infantry gun positions were reported unoccupied. These positions in L-5522 and L-5220 formerly contained 3 guns. Two positions in L-5422 and L-6126 sqs which were last reported as "Suspect Unoccupied" were disclosed as definitely unoccupied with a subsequent loss of 5 light guns. No changes were disclosed by cover over TF 45 and 92nd Div Sectors and no accurate sound or flash locations obtained along the coastal sector.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

151800A - 160600A:		92 Div Sector				
		92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk		34	0	0	71	105
Lt		8	50	0	45	103
Med		17	0	0	37	54
Hvy		0	0	0	0	0
Total		59	50	0	153	262
160600A - 161800A:		92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk		0	0	4	4	8
Lt		20	31	12	71	134
Med		15	0	0	30	45
Hvy		0	0	0	0	0
Total		35	31	16	105	187
151800A - 161800A:		94	81	16	258	449

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Roads received a total of 25 rds, 10 rds were in U9392 sq, 9 rds in U9492 sq and 6 rds in U9793 sq. Vic QUERCETA (U9594)-24 rds, Vic PIETRASANTA (9792)-8 rds, Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292)-2 rds, Vic RIPI (U9695)-6 rds, Vic VALLECCLORA (9795)-6 rds, Vic Dixie OP-1 (9794)-12 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 19 rds, 15 rds were in L1201 sq, and 4 rds in L1906 sq. Vic BARGA (L1803)-8 rds. Vic SOMMO COLONA (L1906)-48 rds.

TF 45 Sector

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006)-4 rds. Forward infantry elements a total of 12 rds, 9 rds were in L5116 sq and 3 rds in L5016 sq.

BEF Sector

Forward infantry elements vic VOLPORA (L6220)-18 rds. Roads received a total of 19 rds, 12 rds were in L6217 sq and 4 rds in L6116 sq and 3 rds in L6315 sq. Vic BOMBIANA (L5818)-60 rds, Vic SILLA (5814)-57 rds, Vic 3rd Bn 6th Inf CP. BEF-8 rds. Vic RIOLA (L6419)-77 rds. Vic MARANO (L6219)-11 rds.

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of fire:

Relatively heavy harassing and interdiction fire in BEF Sector on both forward elements and rear areas and roads. Light harassing fire in 92nd Div and TF 45 sectors.

Damage:

BEF reported one man killed, two wounded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS;

- a. Btry "A", 633 FA Bn now in position at 632-125
- b. Btry "B", 248 FA Bn now in position at 630-149
- c. Btry "B", 633 FA Bn opened in position 992-895 at 2045A.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	5	0	0	5
Harassing	9	0	0	9
Personnel	6	0	0	6
Mortars	6	0	0	6
Dumps	0	1	2	3
Total	26	1	2	29

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Grd OP	1	0	0	1
Unobserved	25	1	2	28
Total	26	1	2	29

c. Survey-

A ground station "ALAN" has been established at 496797.25-387850.20 "ALAN" is approximately 100 meters east of Route #1 on gravel road leading to trig point 104/606 "ROTAIO". Point is south of road, 10 meters in plowed field. Station is opposite a house on north side of road; guard stake is marked with red target cloth.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Corps arty battalions having 3" gun, shell illuminating, will not fire this shell without clearance from IV Corps Arty.
- b. 633 FA Bn is preparing to move a platoon(2 guns) forward on the night 17 Jan to the 9392 sq. Guns will be used to fire on targets beyond range of present position. Adjustment will be made by Spitfires.
- c. 424 FA Gp fired a TOT on enemy personnel in the vic of PIETRA COLORA (596-222) with 22 guns participating in the mission.
- d. 92 Div Arty joined the two Corps Arty Bns in firing two TOT's at 1010A and 1305A on enemy supply dumps at 943-973 and 868-993. Both air and ground OP's observed the missions, and reported the target areas well covered but no visible damage observed.

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Period: 161800A Jan to
171800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 17

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions:
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity:
Number of rounds reported.

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
161800A - 170600A:					
Unk	12	0	0	37	49
Lt	67	0	0	9	76
Med	43	0	0	47	84
Hvy	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>17</u>
Total	132	0	0	94	226
170600A - 171800A:					
Unk	0	0	5	0	5
Lt	6	33	0	28	67
Med	15	24	0	11	50
Hvy	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>
Total	29	57	5	39	130
161800A - 171800A: Total	161	57	5	133	356

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic Voter #3 OP (9292) - 6 rds, vic Voter #2 OP (9792) - 5 rds, vic QUERCETA (9594) - 20 rds, vic FORTE DEI MARMI (9292) - 26 rds, vic forward gun, 633 FA Bn (9392) - 50 rds, roads received a total of 30 rds falling in the 9590 and 9391 squares. Reports of heavy shelling unconfirmed as to caliber.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 57 rds falling in the 1803, 1804, 1502 and 1602 squares.

TF 45 Sector

Vic CUTIGLIANO (4006) - 5 rds.

BEF Sector

Vic SILLA (5814) - 9 rds, vic VIDICLATIGO (5013) - 8 rds, vic BOMBANA (5818) - 20 rds, roads received a total of 96 rds falling in the 6015, 6117, 6318, 6418 and 6519 squares.

Nature of fire:

One report of CB fire of 50 rds (forward gun, 633 FA Bn) otherwise harassing of roads, villages and forward infantry elements.

Damage:

None reported.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Btry in position	2	0	4	6
Harassing	9	4	3*	16
Troops	4	2	3	9
Dumps	0	1	1	2
Total	15	7	11	33

* these missions fired by 3" guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	Total
Air OP	0	0	1	1
Ground OP	0	1	3	4
Unobserved	15	6	7	28
Total	15	7	11	33

c. Survey:

Field work for station "CHOP" was completed. "CHOP" is located in the 9398 square in the Serchio Valley and will be used by 10 AGRA.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Two TOT's were fired by the two Corps Arty Bn's plus the 92 Div Arty on enemy personnel and a CP (900-008) and supply dump (907-025) at 0930A and 1115A. Air and ground observers reported all rounds in target area, and several hits on houses.
- One gun from C Btry, 633 FA Bn moved into a forward position vic FORTE DEI MARMI to deliver harassing fires during the night. Due to poor visibility it was unable to register, and after midnight was forced to return to its original position without accomplishing its mission. While in position the gun drew approximately 50 rounds of enemy artillery fire.
- The flash simulators which have been operating in the vicinity of FORTE DEI MARMI have been withdrawn.
- 248th FA Bn OP and 92 Div Arty OP saw eight men enter a group of trees vicinity 895-029, and later observed gun flashes from that location. In the adjustment that followed the 248 FA Bn placed five rounds in the grove.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 171800A Jan to
181800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 18.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 17 January 45 disclosed two new enemy artillery positions in 92 Division Sector. Along the coastal sector a medium gun position in P8305 square was uncovered, while one light gun was revealed in the Serchio Valley sector in L1409 square. No photo cover was obtained over TF 45 and BEF sectors of the Corps front. Shell fragments picked up along the coastal sector confirmed the presence of 170mm German guns in front of the 92 Division.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported -						
171800A - 180600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps	
Unk	12	0	0	37	49	
Lt	67	0	0	9	76	
Med	43	0	0	41	84	
Hvy	10	0	0	7	17	
Total	132	0	0	94	226	
180600A - 181800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps	
Unk	20	0	8	34	62	
Lt	3	24	15	0	42	
Med	0	0	0	1	1	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	23	24	23	35	105	
171800A - 181800A: Total	155	24	23	129	331	

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector:

Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (9292) - 28 rds, vic PIETRASANTA (9594) - 5 rds, vic A Btry, 599 FA Bn (9593) - 11 rds, vic B Tp, 76 AAA Regt, (9590) - 8 rds, vic A Btry, 600 FA Bn (9490) - 15 rds; roads received a total of 25 rds falling in 9391, 9591, 9691, 9293 and 9392 squares. vic A Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn (9691) 20 rds.

10 AGRA Sector:

vic BARGA (1804) - 18 rds.

TF 45 Sector:

Vic VIDIOLATICO (5013) - 15 rds, FDL's at (4008) - 8 rds.

BEF Sector:

Vic QUERCIOLA (5116) - 42 rds, vic RIOLA (6419) - 11 rds, vic SAVIGNARO (6418) - 3 rds, vic BOMBIANA (5818) - 15 rds.

Nature of fire:

15 rds of CB fire falling near A Btry, 600 FA Bn at (9490). A Btry, 599 FA Bn reported 11 rds CB fire near their position at 95-93. The 20 rds falling in vic of A Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn (9691) was not CB fire, but fell in their vicinity during interdiction of roads in that area. Balance of shelling in the Corps Sector was on roads and villages with very little falling on forward areas.

Damage:

Six casualties during shelling on BEF front in L5013 and L5116 squares.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	13	1	0	14
CP or QP	1	0	0	1
Harassing	9	6*	3 + 6*	24
MG or Mortars	2	0	0	2
Troops	4	0	0	4
TOT	0	4	0	4
Total	29	11	9	49

Observation ..

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air (Spit Fire)	0	0	4	4
Air QP	11	0	0	11
Ground QP	5	1	0	6
Unobserved	13	10	5	29
Total	29	11	9	49

* Indicates missions fired by 3" guns.

c. Survey:

A ground station "ALAN" was established at coord: 496797.25-387850.20 "ALAN" is approximately 100 meters East of Route #1 on gravel road leading to trig point 104/606, ROTAIO. Point is South of road, 10 meters in plowed field. Station is opposite a house on North side of road, guard stake is marked with red target cloth. 633 FA Bn received information on station "ALAN".

Data for station "CHOP" was computed. Coord: 523141.76-398259.87. Description as follows: It is about 500 meters up graveled road to the right from railroad and highway crossing and also road junction, N.W. of Fornoli. Station "CHOP" is approximately 100 meters to left of road on East bank of river in sod field. Yellow house is West of point across river. It is a wooden hub stake in ground with a guard stake marked by Red Target Cloth.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Two TOT's were fired by the 248 FA Bn during the period. The first TOT was on an enemy supply point and kitchens and the second was on an enemy storage dump and kitchens.
- b. Four Spitfire shoots were fired during the period. One shoot proved particularly effective in that a building was hit and enemy troops observed scattering wildly for cover, a large flash was observed on another and occupied buildings were hit on the other shoots.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY AFO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 181800A Jan to
191900A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Three PI locations of enemy artillery on the coastal plain in front of 92nd Division were reported as unoccupied as a result of photo cover of 18 January 45. These positions in U8205, U8901 and P9199 squares formerly contained 3 light pieces and one suspect heavy gun. In front of BEF on the right flank of the Corps sector, 2 positions in L6730 and L5824 squares were reported unoccupied with a loss of 3 light guns. No new locations were revealed across the entire Corps front.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported -

181800A - 190600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	10	3	10	8	31
Lt	80	0	0	0	80
Med	166	0	0	0	166
Hvy	12	0	0	0	12
Mixed	100	0	0	0	100
Total	368	3	10	8	389

190600A - 191800A:	93 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	15	0	0	50	65
Lt	27	4	0	64	95
Med	73	0	0	14	87
Hvy	26	0	0	0	26
Total	141	4	0	128	273

181800A - 191800A: Total	509	7	10	136	662
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector:

Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292) - 12 rds, vic 371 CP (U9292) - 35 rds, vic PIETRASANTA (U9792) - 9 rds, vic RIPA (U9695) - 12 rds, vic SERVEZZA (U9796) - 5 rds, vic Voter OP #2 (U9792) - 68 rds, vic Voter OP #3 (U9292) - 31 rds, vic Voter OP #4 (U9490) - 17 rds, vic "C" Btry 1125 FA Bn (U9691) - 59 rds; roads (U9491) - 67 rds, along lateral road PIETRASANTA (U9792) to FIUMETTO (U9490) and on artillery positions and installations in (U9590) and (U9490) squares - 182 rds.

10 AGRA Sector:

Forward infantry elements received a total of 4 rounds falling in the (L1803) square. 3 rounds unknown caliber fell in unknown area

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TF 45 Sector:

Road in (L3806) received a total of 10 rounds.

BEF Sector:

Vic BOMBILANA (L5818) - 38 rds. Forward infantry elements received a total of 36 rounds falling in the (L5919), (L6322) and (L6422) squares. Roads received a total of 12 rounds falling in the (L5615), (L6418) and (L6518) squares. 50 rounds of unknown caliber fell in unknown area.

Nature of fire:

In coastal sector interdiction fire in heavy concentrations reported during the early part of night. During the afternoon, heavy harassing fire was reported on roads, forward elements, and villages. Normal harassing fire in other sectors

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Damage:

"C" Btry, 1125 AF reports 2 men slightly wounded when a single round of light arty fell in their gun area.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. Two 3" guns of 248 in position at 6317-1545.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	0	2	2	4
TOTs	0	2	1	3
Troops	1	1	0	2
Harassing	<u>14</u>	<u>5*</u>	<u>5*</u>	<u>24</u>
Total	15	10	8	33

Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	1	2	0	3
Unobserved	<u>14</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>30</u>
Total	15	10	8	33

* Indicates missions fired by 3" guns.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Two TOT's were fired by 248 FA Bn during the period. The first TOT was on a troop assembly area and the second on an enemy supply dump.
- The 633 FA Bn fired one TOT during the period on a troop assembly area.
- The forward platoon of "C" Btry 633 FA Bn returned to its original position today at 15154

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 201800A Jan to
211800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover obtained along the Coastal Sector and Serchio Valley area of 92nd Div front on 20 Jan 45 disclosed one new enemy artillery location in U-8899 sq. containing two light infantry guns. It also revealed one unoccupied location in L-1409 sq. which formerly contained three light or medium guns. No satisfactory cover was obtained over the remainder of the Corps front. Recent changes in occupancy status of positions along the coastal sector, together with shell rays and sound and flash intersections indicate some recent changes in enemy artillery dispositions along the coastal sector. These uncertain changes are possible indications of a withdrawal of light artillery pieces north of the Frigido River which flows through MASSA (P-9001) to the coast. This indication is supported by the preponderance of reports of medium calibre shelling together with a decrease in volume of shelling of all calibres, particularly light.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

201800A - 210600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	28	0	0	0	28
Lt	0	0	0	0	0
Med	31	0	0	0	31
Hvy	4	0	0	0	4
Total	63	0	0	0	63

210600A - 211800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	12	0	0	12
Lt	3	14	0	54	71
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	3	26	0	54	83

201800A - 211800A: Total	66	26	0	54	146
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292)-37 rds
U 9492 sq - 16 rds; U9494 sq - 3 rds

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 26 rds reported as falling in the L1703 and L1803 sqs.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector

Vic BOMBIANA (L5818)-30 rds Vic AFFRICO (L6221) - 6 rds
Vic CASTELLACCIO (L6322)-18 rds.

Nature of fire: Light harassing on forward elements.

Damage: None reported

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	248 Bn	633 Bn	Total
Btry in position	10	0	1	11
Harassing	8	3*	4*	15
Personnel	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>
Total	22	3	5	30

* Indicates missions fired by 3" guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	248 Bn	633 Bn	Total
ACF	8	0	1	9
Ground OF	4	0	0	4
Unobserved	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>17</u>
Total	22	3	5	30

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Two TOT's were fired by the 248 FA Bn (155H) during the period one on an ammo dump (L9000) and the other on a supply point (L8800).
- b. Six enemy batteries were fired on by the 424 Gp using ACF. Good effect was reported on all.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S Army

Period 211800A Jan to
221800A Jan 45

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Good photo cover over the sector in front of BEEF on 21 January 45 disclosed three new enemy artillery positions in L5322 and L5622 squares, containing a total of 5 guns. One abandoned location in L5318 square was revealed as again occupied by one light field gun. On the same cover, three positions in L5217, L5925 and L6628 squares which had formerly been reported as occupied were disclosed as vacated since previous cover. Partial cover in TF 45 and 92nd Division sectors revealed no change in enemy artillery dispositions.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

211800A - 220600A:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEEF	IV Corps
Unk	10	0	0	0	10
Lt	38	1	0	0	39
Med	47	0	0	0	47
Hvy	43	12	0	0	55
Total:	138	13	0	0	151

220600A - 221800A:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEEF	IV Corps
Unk	5	0	0	0	5
Lt	0	25	0	0	25
Med	0	0	0	27	27
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	5	25	0	27	27

211800A - 221800A: Total 143 38 0 27 208

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292) - 43 rds, vic Voter OP #2 (U9792) - 36 rds, vic Voter OP #1 (U9893) - 21 rds, vic FIUMETTO (U9490) - 10 rds, vic SERLA VENZA (U9796) - 8 rds. Hwy No 1 North of QUERCETA (U9594) - 5 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry elements in 1702, 1703, 1804 and 1905 squares received a total of 13 rounds. The rest of the areas shelled are unknown.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEEF Sector

Vic SILLA (L5814) - 21 rds, vic MARANO (L6219) - 6 rds.

Nature of fire: Harassing fire on forward infantry elements, roads and towns

Damage: BEEF reported one man slightly wounded.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

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Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	248 Bn	633 Bn	Total
Btry in position	18	1	0	19
Harassing	8	6*	6*	20
Troops	5	4	0	9
Mortars	1	0	0	1
OP's	1	0	0	0
Total	33	11	6	50

* Indicates missions fired by 3" guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	248 Bn	633 Bn	Total
Air OP	8	1	0	9
Ground OP	4	2	0	6
Unobserved	21	8	6	35
Total	33	11	6	50

MISCELLANEOUS:

- IV Corps ACP adjusted 248 FA Bn on WXB (883-995). Three hits on one gun emplacement, one hit on another, and several near misses were reported.
- 248 FA Bn fired a TOT on one my CP (898-997) at 1200 using VT fuze. Ground CP reported the height of burst was excellent and the area well covered.
- At 1350A 248 FA Bn fired on personnel at 897-036, with A Btry, 15 FA Obsn Bn adjusting. After adjustment with 3 rounds, quick fuze, VT fuze was used for fire for effect. The ground CP reported an area of 400 yards well covered with a good height of burst. Fire for effect with VT fuze was repeated at 1530A, with all rounds reported over the target.
- One platoon of Btry "C" 633 FA Bn moved to forward position (935-916) to deliver deep harassing missions. This platoon is to fire 4 missions tomorrow with Spitfires providing the observation.
- 424 FA Gp fired 8 missions on enemy batteries using aerial observation. Good coverage of the target area was reported on all targets.
- The 248 FA Bn had excellent results with its VT fuze shoots today, firing 40 rounds and having only one (1) random burst.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 231800A Jan to
241800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

231800A - 240600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BET	IV Corps
Unk	15	0	0	0	15
Lt	37	0	0	10	47
Med	33	0	0	72	105
Hvy	22	0	0	0	22
Total	107	0	0	82	189

240600A - 241800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BET	IV Corps
Unk	10	0	5	0	15
Lt	29	0	46	156	231
Med	0	0	0	10	10
Hvy	6	0	0	0	6
Total	45	0	51	166	262

231800A - 241800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BET	IV Corps
	152	0	51	248	451

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic RIPA (U9695)-8 rds Vic PIETRASANTA (U9792)-11 rds
Vic QUERCETA (U9594)-10 rds Hwy #1 from (U9391) to Forte dei Marmi
(U9292)-24 rds FDL: 20 rds on U97-95; & 9796 sqs. Roads in U9591-14 rds.
Vic 76 HAA CP: U96-87 - 15 rds.

10 AGRA Sector No report of shelling

TF 45 Sector

Vic 1125 AFA OP L49-12 - 25 rds FDL's received 26 rds on L48-14;
L49-13; & L50-15 sqs.

BET Sector

Vic SILLA (L58-15)-3 rds Vic RIOLA (L6419)-25 rds Roads at L56-15-
17 rds; L62-18-40 rds FDL's received 64 rds on L66-20; L63-22; L67-21;
L62-20; & L62-21 sqs.

Nature of fire:

Normal harassing of roads, villages and FDL's.

Damage: None reported

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

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OPERATIONS:

Missions fired -	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Type				
Btry in posn	4	2	1	7
Harassing	11	0	5	16
Harassing 3" Gun	0	6	6	12
Troops	14	1	0	15
MG & Mort	3	0	0	3
Total	32	9	12	53

Observation -	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Type				
AOP	1	0	0	1
Grd OP	14	0	0	14
Unobserved	17	9	12	38
Total	32	9	12	53

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Daily TOT for today was a supply dump and CP at P879-005 which was hit at 1300A. 92 Div Arty again joined with both Corps Arty Bns. Surveillance was impossible due to poor visibility.
- 424 Gp's TOT for today was CORONA (L51-17) which was on the receiving end of a total of 114 rds.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 241800A Jan to
251800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY;

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

241800A - 250600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	6	0	0	0	6
Lt	18	9	0	0	27
Med	0	0	0	3	3
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	24	9	0	3	36

250600A - 251800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	15	0	0	1	16
Lt	22	4	25	40	91
Med	0	3	0	48	51
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	37	7	25	89	158

241800A - 251800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
	61	16	25	92	194

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) - 46 rds; vic QUERCETTA (U9594) - 9 rds.
Forward infantry elements in U9295 square received 6 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 7 rds in L1703, L1801 and L1905 squares. 9 rds fell in an unknown area.

TF 45 Sector

Vic QUERCIOLO (L5116) - 10 rds; patrol (L3708) - 15 rds.

BEF Sector

Vic MARANO (L6219) - 48 rds; L630-180 - 35 rds; vic GAGGIO MON-
TANO (L5516) - 5 rds; vic RIOLA (L6519) - 3 rds.

Nature of fire:

Moderate harassing on forward infantry elements and towns.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS;

No change.

3. OPERATIONS;

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	3	7	0	10
Harassing	9	5*	5-6*	25
Personnel	8	2	0	10
MG - Mortars	2	0	0	2
Total	22	14	11	47

*Indicates missions fired by 3" Gun.

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3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	1	5	0	6
Ground OP	9	1	0	10
Unobserved	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>31</u>
Total	22	14	11	47

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. IV Corps Arty's AOP's working with 248 FA Bn adjusted on four enemy batteries and fire for effect was reported as all rounds in the target area.
- b. 55 Btry, 8th Survey Regt will close into its new area beginning 1855A 26 Jan - and complete occupation of area at 2025A.
- c. 424 FA Group fired a TOT on VALPIANA (5118) at 1720A. OP's report 70% of rounds in target area.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY

WFO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 251800A Jan to
261800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo coverage of 25 January of poor quality over the coastal and Serchio Valley areas disclosed no major change in enemy artillery dispositions. A better quality of photo coverage to the east showed one position of two light guns in the L-6125 square to be unoccupied and two positions of three light guns each in the L-5622 square and in the L-4619 square suspected to be unoccupied. Heretofore these two positions had been occupied. Four new positions, containing four light caliber guns and one SP gun, were located between the 53 and 55 Eastings and the 19 and 26 Northings.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported -

251800A - 260600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	22	0	11	0	33
Lt	19	0	0	10	29
Med	57	3	0	0	60
Mixed	40	0	0	0	40
Hvy	3	0	0	0	3
Total	141	3	11	10	165

260600A - 261800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	1	0	72	73
Med	0	0	0	13	13
Hvy	2	2	0	0	4
Total	2	3	0	85	90

251800A - 261800A: Total - 143 6 11 95 255

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

CB fire on C Btry 633 FA Bn (Fwd guns) (U9391) - 60 rds in a form of 3 TOT's of 20 rds each; CB fire on A Btry, 248 FA Bn (U9391) - 6 rds; vic FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) - 12 rds; vic QUERCETA (U9594) - 12 rds; vic A Btry, 599 FA Bn (U9593) - 4 rds; road (U9591) - 21 rds, road (U9391) - 12 rds; road between QUERCETA (U9594) and PIETRASANTA (U9792) - 2 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry elements in L1905, L1803 squares received 3 rds. 3 rds fell in an unknown area.

TF 45 Sector

Vic PLANCCI (L4715) - 8 rds; vic la CA (L4814) - 3 rds

BEF Sector

Vic BOMBIANA (L5818) - 5 rds; vic ABETALA (L5818) - 3 rds; forward infantry elements in L5918, L6019, L6020, L6022 squares received a total of 40 rds; vic MARANO (L6219) - 34 rds; vic VOLPARA (L6220) - 8 rds; v. LISSANO (L6520) - 5 rds.

Nature of fire:

Two forward gun positions received counterbattery fire. Otherwise there was slight harassing fire on towns, roads and forward infantry elements.

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Damage:
None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. See Station List dated 26 January 1945.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	0	2	2	4
Harassing	9	0	0	9
Harassing 3" Gun	0	5	5	10
Dumps	0	2	2	4
Troops	1	0	0	1
MG & Mortars	1	0	0	1
Total	11	9	9	29

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Ground Op	2	0	0	2
Unobserved	9	2	2	27
Total	11	9	9	29

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. The flash base which has been operated for almost three months by personnel from the 62 AA Brigade under Capt Osborne has been taken over by the 424 FA Gp. We regret the loss of this personnel but wish to express our appreciation for the splendid work they have done.
- b. TOT's today were fired on an enemy battery at 902-013 and a supply dump at 879-006 which were hit at 1100A and 1700A respectively. Poor visibility prevented surveillance.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 261800A Jan to
271800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

261800A - 270600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	0	0	14	14
Med	6	0	0	0	6
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	6	0	0	14	20

270600A - 271800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	19	0	0	0	19
Lt	91	0	0	35	126
Med	32	0	50	10	92
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	142	0	50	45	237

261800A - 271800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
	148	0	50	59	257

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic PIETRASANTA (U9792) - 100 rds, vic POZZI (U9694) - 12 rds, vic FORTE del MARMI (U9292) - 6 rds, vic RIPA (U9695) - 17 rds, vic FAB. BIANO (U9798) - 5 rds, road in U9493 sq - 8 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

No shelling reported.

TF 45 Sector

FDL's at 4914 sq - 50 rds.

BEF Sector

Vic FORRETTA (I5812) - 20 rds, vic RIOLA (I6419) - 39 rds.

Nature of fire:

Very moderate shelling over corps sector with bulk of fire directed on PIETRASANTA and other villages in 92d Division sector.

Damage:

92d Division reported one man wounded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Bury in position	11	2	0	13
Harassing	6	5*	5*	16
Personnel	1	3	2	6
MF - Mortars	1	0	0	1
Total	19	10	7	36

* Indicates missions fired by 3" Guns.

3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air CP	5	0	0	5
Ground CP	1	3	2	6
Unobserved	13	7	5	25
Total	19	10	7	36

c. Survey -

All records of Survey Control in the sector have been turned over to the 55th Survey Battery and S.I.C. has discontinued operations.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Corps Arty, 633 FA Bn and 248 FA Bn, in conjunction with 92d Div Arty fired two (2) TOT's during the period. The CI gotten by 15 FA Obsn Bn showed the TOT at 1230A to be very accurate as the CI showed the TOT to be off only 40 yards in range, which could easily be attributed to normal dispersion - the other TOT at 1830A was unobserved.
- During the past week the 248 FA Bn has fired 102 rds of VT fuze and of that total only four rounds have been random bursts. CP's report that the effect of VT fuze is excellent.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 271800A Jan to
281800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Partial photo cover of 27 January 1945 reveals two (2) previously occupied positions in the TF 45-BEF sector to be unoccupied. One position consisted of three (3) possible medium guns in the L-4828 square and the other consisted of four (4) camouflaged objects, near the Corps boundary, in the L-6927 square. Visibility prevented cover in the coastal and Serchio valley sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

271800A-280600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	44	0	0	20	64
Lt	80	5	0	14	99
Med	107	10	0	0	117
Hvy	5	0	0	0	5
Total	236	15	0	34	285
280600-281800A	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	2	4	80	86
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	2	4	80	86
271800A-281800A	236	17	4	114	371

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Roads at U-9490 - 10 rds; U-9591 - 71 rds; U-9392 - 40 rds; U-9391 - 30 rds; vic QUERCETA (U-9594) - 33 rds; vic PIETRASANTA (U-9792) - 25 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

Vic BARGA (L-1804) - 13 rds; 2 rds on forward infantry area in L-1301 square.

TF 45 Sector

4 rds on forward infantry area in L-4914 square.

BEF Sector

Vic BOMBIANA (L-5818) - 22 rds; Roads: L-6519 - 14 rds; L-6219 - 20 rds; L-6320 - 38 rds; L-6822 - 10 rds.

Nature of fire:

In the 92 Div sector, the bulk of the fire was received in five (5) concentrations which landed between 272310A and 272355A in the U-9591, U-9392 and U-9391 squares. The rest of the Corps sector received slight harassing fire on villages, roads and forward infantry localities.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	3	1	1	5
Harassing	9	5*	5*	19
Troops	3	6	5	14
MG - Mortars	2	0	0	2
Total	17	12	11	40

* Indicates missions fired by 3" Gun.

b. Observation

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	0	1	1	2
Ground	1	0	0	1
Unobserved	16	11	10	37
Total	17	12	11	40

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- A TOT was fired on an enemy CP and kitchen at P-912011 at 1200A. A 92 Div Arty AOP giving surveillance reports the concentration on the target and rounds well grouped.
- A check was made on the unobserved fire of both 248 FA Bn and 633 FA Bn. An AOP observer plotted each round of a battery on a photo. The CI of the 248 FA Bn plotted within 25 yds of the target. The 633 FA Bn fell about 200 yds over, due probably to the target being too far outside transfer limits. Sufficient check point registrations to give complete coverage are not made due to ammunition restrictions.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 281800A Jan to
291800A Jan 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover 28 Jan 45 reveals two new locations in the Serchio Valley in the L1311 and L1407 sqs each consisting of one light gun. No change was noted in the coastal sector. Weather conditions prevented cover over the other sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEEF	IV Corps
281800A - 290600A:					
Unk	0	0	0	4	4
Lt	0	0	0	15	15
Med	18	0	0	5	23
Hvy	7	0	0	0	7
Total	25	0	0	24	49
290600A - 291800A:					
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	55	5	0	41	101
Med	0	0	0	1	1
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	55	5	0	42	102
281800A - 291800A:	80	5	0	66	151

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Fwd inf elements Vic SERAVEZZA (U9796) - 50 rds, Vic PIETRASANTA (U9792) - 8 rds. 7 rds 170mm fell Vic VIAREGGIO (U9882). Rd (U9593) - 5 rds lt cal.

10 AGRA Sector

Fwd inf elements in L1703 sq - 5 rds.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEEF Sector

Fwd inf elements in L6321 sq - 5 rds. Vic SAVIGNANO (L6418) - 14 rds Rd in L5715 sq - 21 rds. Rd in L5817 sq - 5 rds. Vic PORETTA (L5812) - 1 rd

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on fwd inf elements, roads and towns. One concentration of 50 rds fell between 1340A-1350A vic SERAVEZZA.

Damage:

None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:
No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	18	0	0	18
Harassing	12	6*	6*	24
Personnel	3	3	4	10
MG - Mortars	3	0	0	3
Dumps	1	0	0	1
Total	37	9	10	56

* Indicates missions fired by 3" Gun.

b. Observation

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	13	0	0	13
Ground OP	3	0	1	4
Unobserved	21	9	9	39
Total	37	9	10	56

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- A TOT was fired by Corps Arty, 248 FA Bn, 633 FA Bn, and 92 Div Arty at 1030A on an enemy CP. ACP's reported rounds well grouped and center of impact 20 yds over the target.
- 55 Btry, 8 Survey Regt relieved A Btry, 15 FA Obsn at 1300A.
- One platoon of "C" Btry of 633 FA Bn will move tonight to position vicinity of 935-915 to conduct long range harassing missions between CARRARA and SARZANA.
- 10 ACPA will conduct a VT fuze demonstration tomorrow at 1030A.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S Army

Period: 291800A Jan to
301800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 30.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 29 January 1945 reveals 3 positions to be unoccupied in the U-8899, U-9099 and L-0907 squares. These locations combined made a total of five (5) light guns. This same cover shows one new location consisting of one (1) light gun in the L-6427 square.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	HEF	IV Corps
291800A - 300600A:					
Unk	3	0	0	0	3
Lt	2	0	0	25	27
Med	0	0	0	13	13
Hvy	14	0	0	0	14
Total	19	0	0	38	57
300600A - 301800A:					
Unk	3	0	15	0	18
Lt	32	9	4	11	56
Med	14	0	0	5	19
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	49	9	19	16	93
291800A - 301800A Total	68	9	19	54	150

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Vic GUISTAGNANO (9797 - 12 rds; vic CARVAJA (9795) - 4 rds; vic MINAZZANA (9897) - 4 rds; vic SERAVEZZA (9796) - 3 rds; vic QUERCETA (9594) - 20 rds. Forward infantry areas: (9698) - 3 rds; road in 9793 square - 5 rds; Hwy #1 vic POZZI (9694) - 14 rds; vic C btry, 633 FA Bn forward plat (935-918) - 3 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry area in the 1201 square - 9 rds.

TF 45 Sector

Forward infantry area at 492-142 - 4 rds and at 492-138 - 15 rds.

HEF Sector

Vic MORANO (6219) - 10 rds; vic FIOLA (6419) - 11 rds; 18 rds in unknown areas; forward infantry area at 587-190 - 15 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on villages, roads and forward platoon of 633 FA Bn (935-918).

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	18	0	0	18
Harassing	12	5*	3-5*	25
Troops	1	3	4	8
Total	<u>31</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>51</u>

* Denotes missions fired by 3" guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	13	1	1	15
Ground OP	1	0	0	1
Unobserved	17	7	11	35
Total	<u>31</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>51</u>

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- 424 FA Gp had an excellent day, firing 13 observed counterbattery missions. All missions were observed from AOP's. Observers reported 3 direct hits and five very effective. On one mission fired by B Btry, 248 FA Bn the initial adjusting round was within 15 yards of the target. One house was set afire at one enemy battery position.
- The 633 FA Bn and 92 Div Arty fired a TOT on enemy CP 923-008 at 1145A today. AOP's reported a 500 yard zone was covered with several hits and near misses on the target.
- The 248 FA Bn fired a TOT on enemy CP 930-989 at 1145A today. AOP's reported that target was covered very well, with many near misses and one direct hit.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 301800A Jan to
311800A Jan 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 31.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

301800A-310600A;	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	5	0	0	0	5
Lt	4	0	0	0	4
Med	5	0	0	0	5
Mix	0	11	0	0	11
Hvy	4	0	0	0	4
Total	18	11	0	0	29

310600A - 311800A;	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	4	0	0	0	4
Lt	48	6	22	73	149
Med	11	0	0	70	81
Hvy	6	0	0	0	6
Total	69	6	22	143	240

301800A - 311800A;	87	17	22	143	269
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

The bulk of the enemy artillery fire for the period was reported as harassing directed at forward infantry elements in the U9696 sq and the U9294 sq. Slight harassing fire during the night was reported as falling in the vicinity of QUERCETA (U9594) and PIETRASANTA (U9792).

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward elements in the L1804 and L1904 squares.

TF 45 Sector

A slight increase in harassing fire reported in the vicinity of FRASIOLO (L4914).

BEF Sector

BOMBIANA (L5818) received the bulk of the fire (60 rds) with a few rounds reported falling near SILLA (L5814), RIOLA (L6419) and MARANO (L6219).

Damage reported:

92 Division - 1 casuality.

★ 2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. Battery CP 55 Obsn Btry, 8 Survey Regt (Br) moved to new location at U995-884 at 1300A.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS (CONT'D)

- b. A Co, 751 Tk Bn relieved from attachment 424 FA Gp as of 311800A.
B Co, 894 TD Bn relieved from attachment 424 FA Gp as of 311800A.
C Co, 701 TD Bn, attached 424 FA Gp as of 311800A and relieving 894 TD Bn in position.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	21	3	4	28
Harassing	11	0	0	11
Harassing 3" Gun	0	5	5	10
Total	32	8	9	49

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	7	0	0	7
Ground OP	0	0	0	0
Unobserved	25	8	9	42
Total	32	8	9	49

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 424 FA Gp had another good day, firing 5 observed counterbattery missions. B Btry, 248 FA Bn had exceptionally good initial data putting the first round of the day within 25 yds of the target. During the adjustment on one battery, a second battery was observed active. When fire was transferred the first round was within 25 yds and the second round was a direct hit on the gun. A second hit was scored later.
- b. Two enemy batteries in the coastal sector were on the receiving end of TOT's today. Transfers were made after adjustment on a check point near both batteries. An ACP giving surveillance reported both concentrations well grouped and on the targets.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY Hq 304, U S ARMY

Period: 311800A Jan to
011800A Jan 45

S-3 REPORT NO. 32.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Aerial photo cover of 31 January revealed two new locations in the TF 45 sector in the vicinity of PIEVEDELLO (L2919) and PASSO DEL ABETONE (L3311), each position containing two medium guns. Four new positions were located in the BEF sector. Two of these in the vicinity of MONTESE (L5424) contained a total of 3 light guns, one position in the ROCCA DEI VARI area (L6127) was occupied by 2 light guns, and the fourth position in the L6633 square contained two possible medium guns. This cover disclosed a total in the BEF sector of 29 assigned positions containing 64 light guns, 3 occupied positions containing 7 medium guns and 2 positions with 4 SP's.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGR	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
311800A - 010600A:					
Unk	41	0	2	2	45
Lt	131	5	10	62	208
Med	22	0	0	8	30
Hvy	13	0	0	0	13
Total	207	5	12	72	296
010600A - 011800A:					
Unk	10	0	3	13	26
Lt	19	0	5	15	39
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	29	0	8	28	65
311800A - 011800A:	236	5	20	100	361

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

64 rds vic QUERCETA (U9594). A few rds reported falling vic SERVAREZZA (9796) and RIVA (U9695). 20 rds fell on a road from RIVA to QUERCETA. Moderate harassing fire on forward infantry areas.

10 AGR Sector

5 rds vic BARGA (L1904).

TF 45 Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry areas and vic VIDICLATICO (L4913).

BEF Sector

Slight harassing in vic RIOLA (L6419); LISSANO (L6520); MARANO (L6319); and VOLPORA (L6220). 25 rds fell vic GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516).

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	6	2	2	10
Harassing	10	0	0	10
Harassing 3" Gun	0	5	5	10
Troops	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>
Total	17	9	8	34

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Ground OP	1	0	0	1
Unobserved	<u>16</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>33</u>
Total	17	9	8	34

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. An unofficial partisan report stated that on 30 January our artillery knocked out two german guns and killed 22 soldiers at CASA QUADRELLI (924-008). Corps artillery plus 92 Div Arty fired a TOT on that position on 30 January.
- b. One gun, Btry "C" 633 FA Bn moved to forward position (935-916) to fire deep harassing missions. At the completion of the firing, it will return to its original position.
- c. Two TOT's were fired by corps artillery aided by 92 Div Arty on an enemy CP (874-989) and enemy guns (899-980). Poor visibility made it impossible to obtain observation of the results of the firing.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S Army

Period: 011800A Feb to
021800A Feb 45

S-3 REPORT NO. 33

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
011800A - 020600A:					
Unk	77	0	10	0	87
Lt	24	0	0	16	40
Med	17	0	0	15	32
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	118	0	10	31	159
020600A - 021800A:					
Unk	10	0	26	0	36
Lt	7	10	12	5	34
Med	3	0	0	2	5
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	20	10	38	7	75
011800A - 021800A	138	10	48	38	234

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Moderate harassing fire vic SERRAVALLEZZA (U-9796); vic RIPA (U-9695); vic QUERCETTA (U-9695) and CARDOSA (Q-0597). 30 rds fell vic 1125 AFA Bn OP #3 (U-9294)

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements between 17 and 19 Eastings.

TF 45 Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements vic CUTICCIANO (L-4006) and vic PIANDEGLI ONTANI (L-8706)

BEF Sector

Forward infantry elements in L-6322 and L-6019 squares received the bulk of the shelling. Some rounds fell vic BOMBIANA (L-5818) and vic PORRETTA (L-5812).

Damage:

BEF - 1 man wounded and three (3) jeeps damaged.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. C and D troops 17 Med Regt opened new positions at 010930A. Coordinates C troop L-208990; D troop L-206996.
- b. 18 Med Regt moved from IV Corps sector, closing old station at 010700A.
- c. A 68 AFA Bn opened new position at 021130A. Coordinates 578-131.

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- d. 2 88mm guns (German) at coordinates 560-127 attached to C 701 TD Bn as of 311800A January.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	1	2	2	5
Harassing	8	4		12
Harassing 3" Gun		5	5	10
Troops		2	1	3
Total	9	13	8	30

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Unobserved	9	13	8	30
Total	9	13	8	30

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Two TOT's 2 battalions all available were fired by corps artillery of coastal sector and 92 Div Arty. Targets were an enemy battery (902-996) and a GP (909-008). 55 Observation Battery reported good effects.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 021800A Feb to
031800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 34.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

021800A - 030600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	11	0	0	0	11
Lt	70	0	0	2	72
Med	17	12	0	0	29
Hvy	8	0	0	0	8
Total	106	12	0	2	120

030600A - 031800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	12	0	63	75
Med	0	0	0	7	7
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
	0	12	0	70	82

021800A - 031800A:	106	24	0	72	202

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Harassing fire vic 3" gun of 633 FA Bn and A Btry, 248 FA Bns.
40 rds harassing on roads in U93-95 and U94-91 squares.

10 AGRA Sector

12 rds harassing fire on forward infantry area in L1704 sq. . .
Additional 12 rds fell in an unknown area.

TF 45 Sector

No report of shelling.

BEF Sector

The bulk of the fire was reported as harassing, during the daylight hours, in the vicinity of AFFRICO (L6221), BOMBIANA (L5 818) and CORVELLA (L5813).

Damage reported: None.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	4	0	0	4
Harassing	9	0	0	9
Harassing 3" guns	0	5	5	10
Troops	0	2	2	4
Total	13	7	7	27

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b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	0	0	0	0
Unobserved	13	7	7	27

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. TOF was fired by Corps Artillery plus all available of 92 Div Arty on enemy troops vicinity MASSA (914-019) at 1015A. A total of 17 batteries fired two volleys each on this target. Results could not be observed because of poor visibility.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 031800A Feb to
041800A Feb 45

S-3 REPORT NO. 35.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Disposition -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
031800A - 040600A:					
Unk	31	0	0	0	31
Lt	6	0	0	9	15
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	36	0	0	0	36
Total	<u>73</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>82</u>
040600A - 041800A:					
Unk	0	0	unknown no.	12	12
Lt	0	72	of rds.,	0	72
Med	0	0	unknown	4	4
Hvy	8	0	caliber.	0	8
Total	<u>8</u>	<u>72</u>		<u>16</u>	<u>96</u>
031800 - 041800:	81	72		25	178

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Enemy shelling in this sector was in the form of harassing on villages, roads and forward infantry elements. QUERCETA (U95-94) - 46 rds. VALECONIA (U97-95) - 4 rds. Roads in U96-93 & U95-95 sqs - 22 rds.

10 AGRA Sector

All of the shelling was harassing directed on forward infantry in vic L18-03, L18-04, L19-07, L15-03, L14-03, L16-02.

TF 45 Sector

Unknown number of rds in the form of harassing fire fell on an OP at L376-082. Also harassing fire on roads in 38-08 sq.

BEF Sector

PORRETTA (L58-12) received 4 rds of harassing fire. Other fire was 12 rds of harassing fire on forward infantry in L63-21 sq.

Damage reported: None.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS.

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	13	2	2	17
Harassing	8	5*	5*	18
Troops	2	3	4	9
Total	<u>23</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>44</u>

* Missions fired by 3" Gun. -

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b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Gn	Total
Air OP	6	0	0	6
Ground OP	2	0	0	2
Unobserved	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>36</u>
Total	23	10	11	44

4. SURVEY:

"Z" Troop, 8 Survey Regiment is operating a report center for survey information located at 1178-735. This report center can be further identified by the tactical sign "10" on red and blue, further marked "Z Troop Survey".

5. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Two (2) TOT's were fired by Corps Arty, 633 FA Bn & 248 FA Bn in cooperation with all of 92 Div Arty minus "B" Company 701 TD's. Flash troop of 55 Survey Btry reported, 1st TOT 50 yds right, range correct, 2d TOT deflection correct, range correct with direct hits on house that was target of TOT.
- b. The 68th and 424 AOP's fired on five (5) enemy batteries today with good results. All rounds in fire for effect within 50 yds of targets.
- c. Both German 88mm Guns out of action due to mechanical failure.
- d. All AOP's of 424 Gp had to be grounded to day at 1400A due to smoke from smoke generators obscuring landing strip making it impossible for planes to land or take off.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 041800A Feb to
051800A Feb 45

S-3 REPORT NO. 36

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Disposition -

Photo cover of 4 February 1945 revealed four (4) previously occupied positions to be unoccupied. Three (3) of these positions were located in the SERCHIO Valley in the L-1110, L-1209 and L-1311 squares and contained a total of eight (8) light field pieces. The remaining location, in the U-8998 square, consisted of two (2) light guns. This same cover also revealed 4 new locations in the TF 45 - BEF sectors in the L-4922, L-5622, L-5926 and L-6126 squares, containing a total of six (6) light guns.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
041800A - 050600A:					
Unk	2	0	0	0	2
Lt	4	27	0	143	174
Med	9	0	0	18	27
Hvy	2	0	0	0	2
Total	17	27	0	161	205
050600A - 051800A:					
Unk	0	15	0	0	15
Lt	0	75	0	4	79
Med	0	5	0	17	22
Hvy	6	0	0	0	6
Total	6	95	0	21	122
041800A - 051800A:	23	122	0	182	327

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Slight harassing fire, with 3 rds of 170 mm falling vic VIAREGGIO (U-9882) and 5 rds of estimated heavy falling vic QUERCETA (U-9594).

10 AGRA Sector

An increase in shelling, particularly on forward infantry elements all along the sector.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector

Shelling in the BEF sector during the night showed a substantial increase over the previous periods. Although enemy patrols were active between 0300A and 0415A, the enemy artillery fire did not appear to be connected with this patrol action. Enemy shelling of a harassing nature was directed against forward infantry elements. 73 rds of estimated light caliber (tanks or SP's) fell in the vic of BOMBIANA (L58-18). B plot C Co 701 TD Bn (L6115) was counterbattered with 37 rds of light caliber; otherwise harassing on forward infantry elements.

Damage: None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	18	1	0	19
Harassing	10	5*	5*	20
Troops	1	0	2	3
Total	29	6	7	42

*Missions fired by 3" Gun

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	10	0	0	10
Ground OP	1	0	1	2
Unobserved	18	6	6	30
Total	29	6	7	42

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. A TOT 2 volleys, all available (16 batteries), was fired at CP and gun position (coordinates 899-017). OP's were unable to observe results.
- b. The 68 Armd FA Bn AOP firing the 751 Tank Bn assault guns on 2 enemy batteries obtained three hits in the pits, two near misses, and the majority of the rounds in fire for effect were within 25 yds of the target. Mechanical failure forced the AOP to return before fire for effect on a third mission could be observed.
- c. On three more enemy batteries the 424 FA Group AOP firing B 248 FA Bn obtained 2 rds within 5 yds, 14 rds within 10 yds, and bracketed the targets in fire for effect. Four rds of VT fuze ammunition fired two hours later on two of the enemy batteries burst over the target. Smoke from smoke generators covered the airstrip forcing the plane down before missions could be completed on two additional enemy batteries.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 051800A Feb to
061800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 37.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Partial photo cover on 5 February 1945 revealed two (2) previously occupied positions in the BEF sector to be suspect unoccupied. One of these locations in the L6228 square contained 1 light gun and the remaining location in the L7132 square contained three (3) light guns. This cover also revealed two (2) new locations in the L5522 and the L5723 squares each containing four (4) light field pieces.

A recheck on the cover of 4 February 1945, in the coastal sector, shows five (5) new locations to be occupied on that date. Three (3) of these locations are in the P8901 square and each contain one (1) light gun. The remaining two (2) locations are in the P8203 and P9100 squares, and contain one (1) light gun each. Weather conditions on 5 February 1945 prevented photo cover in the coastal, TF 45, and Serchio Valley sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

051800A - 060600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	22	0	4	0	26
Lt	40	50	0	6	96
Med	13	51	0	0	64
Hvy	5	0	0	6	11
Total	80	101	4	12	197

060600A - 061800A:	92 Div	10 A GRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	1	0	0	0	1
Lt	11	81	0	10	102
Med	0	24	0	0	24
Hvy	3	10	0	17	30
Total	15	115	0	27	157

051800A - 061800A:	92	10	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
	95	216	4	39	354

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Slight harassing fire of forward infantry elements; 40 rds fell on roads in U 9595 sq and 26 rds fell via QUERCETA (U9594).

10 AGRA Sector

A large increase of shelling between the 12 and 20 Eastings was noted. Practically all of the rounds fell on the forward infantry elements. The reported medium and estimated heavy caliber shelling has not been confirmed.

TF 45 Sector

4 rds vic CUTIGLIANO.

BEF Sector

Slight harassing fire with 9 rds of confirmed 170mm and 14 rds of estimated heavy (unconfirmed) reported. The 9 rds of 170mm fell vic PORRETTA (L5812), while the remaining rounds were reported as falling in an unknown area.

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Damage reported:

BEF - 1 man killed, 5 wounded, 4 trucks damaged (2 of these destroyed), 1 half track damaged.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	18	0	0	18
Harassing	10	5*	4 - 4*	23
CP or OP	1	0	0	1
MG - Mortars	1	0	0	1
Troops	1	2	4	7
Total	31	7	12	50

*Fired by 3" guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	13	0	0	13
Ground OP	3	0	1	4
Unobserved	15	7	11	33
Total	31	7	12	50

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 424 FA Gp took advantage of excellent flying weather again today and fired on a total of 10 enemy batteries with AOP's adjusting. Hits in the gun pits were reported on 4 targets and very good effect on all others.
- b. 424 FA Gp conducted a VT Fuze demonstration in which the 68 Armd FA Bn and the Assault Guns, 751 Tk Bn, participated. A total of 36 rds were fired with 1 dud and 1 random burst reported.
- c. One piece from C Btry, 633 FA Bn moved to forward position at U935-916 during the night, fired 3 long range harassing missions and returned to battery position.

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Period: 061800A Feb to
071800A Feb 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 6 February 1945 shows two (2) positions in the TF 45 - BEF sectors to be unoccupied and four (4) positions to be suspect unoccupied. The unoccupied positions are in the L4619 square containing 3 emplacements and the L5622 square containing 1 light gun. The 4 suspect unoccupied positions are in the L5322 square containing 2 light guns; the L5724 square containing 3 medium guns; the L5925 square containing 3-4 light guns and the L7033 square containing 2 light guns.

This same cover revealed no material change in the previously located positions in the coastal and SERCHIO Valley sectors, but did reveal three (3) new positions. Two of these locations in the P8204 and P8405 squares each contain one (1) possible light gun. The remaining location in the P8307 square contains one possible heavy gun.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

061800A - 070600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	10	0	0	20	30
Lt	80	7	0	27	114
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	10	0	0	5	15
Total	100	7	0	52	159

070600A - 071800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Mix Cal	20	0	0	0	20
Unk	15	0	0	0	15
Lt	0	14	0	0	14
Med	12	3	0	0	15
Ext Hvy	7	0	0	0	7
Total	54	17	0	0	71

061800A - 071800A:	154	24	0	52	230
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Slight harassing on roads in U94-94, U95-95, and U94-95 sqs. 2 rds on SERAVEZZA (U97-96). QUERCETA (U95-94) received 75 rds lt cal harassing fire. 10 rds hvy cal harassing fell vic VIAREGGIO (U98-82). VALLECCHIA (U97-95) received 14 rds of harassing fire. 32 rds of harassing fire on COSTELLO (U97-95). Slight harassing on forward infantry in U96-96 and U97-97 sqs.

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry in L19-08 and L17-06 sqs.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry in L58-17, L58-19, and L50-19 sqs, also on road in L56-18 sq. 4 rds hvy cal fell at PORRETTA (L58-12).

Damage reported: 3 Brazilian soldiers reported wounded.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	15	0	0	15
Harassing	7	5*	5*	17
Troops	2	5	2	9
Dumps	0	0	2	2
Total	24	10	9	43

* Fired by 3" guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	14	0	0	14
Ground OP	2	1	0	3
Unobserved	8	9	9	26
Total	24	10	9	43

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Restrictions on the security of the VT Fuze have been lifted. Normal precaution of ammunition against theft and sabotage will be observed.
- 424 FA Group again had excellent weather for AOP shoots. AOP's fired 14 missions on enemy batteries with hits in pits reported on four targets. 68 Armd FA Bn AOP, adjusting the 701 TD Bn on (HWP), fired 12 volleys with converged sheaf in fire for effect. Observer reported area very well covered and six rounds in pits. 424 FA Group AOP adjusted 248 FA Bn on (FBP) and reported one hit in pit, one round of smoke in adjusting hit near pit causing a large flash and one round hit in gully behind pit starting a fire.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 071800A Feb to
081800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 39.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 7 February revealed a few minor changes throughout the corps front. In the coastal and SERCHIO Valley sector this cover revealed four (4) previously reported positions to be vacated and five (5) new positions to be occupied. The unoccupied positions in the P8204, P8901 (2 positions) and the P9001 square each contained one (1) light gun. The new positions in the P8606, P9000, P9001, and P9201 square each contain one (1) light gun, and the position in the L1009 square contains two (2) light field pieces.

The TF 45 Sector shows one (1) location, containing two (2) light guns, to be unoccupied in L4922 square.

In the BEF Sector three SP guns in the L5426 square have disappeared, but three (3) new locations appear on this cover. In the L5219 and L7036 squares a total of four (4) light guns was revealed, and the third position in the L6636 square contains one (1) possible heavy gun.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
071800A - 080600A:					
Unk	7	0	0	0	7
Lt	2	0	0	3	5
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	30	0	0	0	30
Hvy	9	0	0	4	13
Total	48	0	0	7	55
080600A - 081800A:					
Unk	50	0	0	0	50
Lt	177	21	0	0	198
Med	251	0	0	0	251
Hvy	12	0	0	0	12
Total	490	21	0	0	511
071800A - 081800A:	538	21	0	7	566

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

In response to our attack a large proportion of the shelling was directed on forward infantry elements. The area around FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) and vic COSTELLO (9795) receiving a considerable number of rounds. The areas vic of PIETRASANTA (U9792) and vic VALLECCHIA (U9795) received attention.

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements between 16 and 18 eastings.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector

Vic of PORRETTA (L5811) received all shelling reported with 4 rds reported as 170 mm.

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Damage:

92 Div - 2 men killed and one vehicle destroyed.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	12	23	10	45
Harassing	9	5*	5*	19
Troops	10	1	0	11
Preparation	0	3	0	3
Total	31	32	15	78

* Fired by 3" Gun

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
AOP	12	5	10	27
Ground OP	10	5	1	16
Unobserved	9	22	4	35
Total	31	32	15	78

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Two TOT's were fired on enemy gun positions. Corps and division artillery (10 batteries) fired 4 volleys on a location in the U-8903 square at 1200A. The 248 FA Bn and the 633 FA Bn (3 batteries) hit a second position (U-8901) with 4 volleys at 1800A.
- A prearranged counterbattery program on 5 enemy batteries was fired with VT fuze in the coastal sector at 1730A.
- 424 FA Gp AOP's flew 12 missions including 10 missions on enemy guns. As a summary of results 3 target hits were obtained, 14 rds were within 15 yds, and the fire for effect bracketed several of the targets.
- The 68 Armd FA Bn fired 110 rds of HE/AT shell and 15 rds of VT fuze shell on dugouts in vicinity of Q-5172 square. Observer reported good coverage and one German known to be killed.
- During the attack in the coastal sector AOP's observed and adjusted on 14 active enemy batteries. Another enemy battery was observed from a ground OP, although the ground OP was unable to complete adjustment.

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Period: 081800A Feb to
091800A Feb 45

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 8 February 1945 revealed two (2) previously occupied positions in the SERCHIO Valley to be unoccupied. These locations in the L1409 and L1509 squares contained a total of three (3) light guns. One (1) new location was picked up in the coastal sector in the U9299 square containing two (2) light guns.

In the TF 45 sector one (1) new location was revealed on this same cover in the L3609 square containing two (2) light guns.

In the BEF sector no material change was noted in the disposition of previously reported locations, but two (2) new locations appeared on the new cover. One location in the L5220 square contains two (2) light guns, while the other location in the L6636 square contains one heavy gun.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
081800A - 090600A:					
Mix	30	0	0	0	30
Unk	63	0	14	0	77
Lt	0	0	0	0	0
Med	15	0	0	0	15
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	108	0	14	0	122
090600A - 091800A:					
Mix	50	0	0	0	50
Unk	177	0	49	0	226
Lt	159	9	15	12	195
Med	163	15	0	0	178
Hvy	164	0	0	0	164
Total	713	24	64	12	813
081800A - 091800A:	821	24	78	12	935

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Today's shelling showed an increase over yesterday's with extensive fire falling on forward infantry positions in U9194, U9595, U9596 and at the mouth of the CINQUALE at U9095. Also PIETRASANTA (U9792), FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292), and QUERCETA (U9594) received considerable number of rounds. The balance of this large amount of shelling for today fell in rear areas on roads in U9595, U9293, U9494 squares.

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry in L1701, L1908, and L1705 squares.

TF 45 Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry in L4913 and VIDICIATICO (L5013) and LIZZANO (L5112).

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12 rds of harassing fire on SILLA (L5814).

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	8	3	7	18
Harassing	11	6 + 8*	4 + 8*	37
Troops	2	15	0	17
MG - Mortars	1	0	0	1
Preparation	0	1	0	1
Total	22	33	19	74

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	0	1	0	1
Ground OP	3	0	0	3
Unobserved	19	32	19	70
Total	22	33	19	74

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 248 FA Bn Air OP located three active guns vicinity 891-015 and made precision adjustments on each. Fire for effect was repeated twice in the form of TOT's, including 48 rds of VT fuze ammunition. Only three random bursts were observed.
- b. 248 FA Bn fired VT fuze in a harassing program during the night consisting of two enemy batteries and two road junctions.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 091800 Feb to
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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

During the past three days the most troublesome enemy artillery has been those batteries located in the area of PUNTA BIANCA (P75-79 Eastings and P02-05 Northings). A total of approximately 35 guns in that region have been active. Of this total, photo intelligence has confirmed 13 medium CD guns and 6 heavy AA guns. Other principal groupings in the coastal area are south of MASSA (P91-01) where approximately 15 guns are located; west of MASSA, estimated 6 guns; vicinity MARINA DI MASSA (U87-98) 4 guns; and vicinity of MARINA DI CARRARA (L83-02), 5 guns.

No change in enemy artillery dispositions is indicated in the SERCHIO Valley area, or in the TF 45 and BEF sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
091800A - 100600A:					
Unk	25	0	0	0	25
Lt	0	0	0	0	0
Med	86	0	0	0	86
Hvy	29	0	0	0	29
Total:	140	0	0	0	140
100600A - 101800A:					
Mix	155	0	0	0	155
Unk	278	0	0	4	282
Lt	164	36	0	15	215
Med	77	15	0	0	92
Hvy	19	0	0	0	19
Total:	693	51	0	19	763
091800A - 101800A:	833	51	0	19	903

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

As in the past three days this sector received intense fire. Principle targets were forward infantry areas, and the complex road net along the coast and inland in vic of QUERCETA (U94-94) and PIETRASANTA (U97-92). Infantry in U90-95, U94-96, U96-96, U96-97, U93-97 and U95-96 sqs received intense fire. Roads in vic FORTEI dei MARMI (U92-92), U96-93, and 92-93 received the lesser amount of shelling for the sector. Noticeable too was the moderate decrease in harassing of PIETRASANTA, QUERCETA, and FORTEI dei MARMI.

10 AGRA Sector

Forward infantry areas received all of the harassing fire for this sector in L18-03, L17-06, L19-06, and L20-01 sqs.

TF 45 Sector

No report of shelling.

BEF Sector

Harassing fire was directed in forward infantry in L63-22, Roads in L56-15 and in vic of MARANO (L62-19).

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Damage:
None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	14	13	14	41
Harassing	5	16*	2 ÷ 6*	29
Troops	3	5	2	10
Preparation	0	1	0	1
Total	22	35	24	81

*Indicated missions fired by 3" gun.

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	10	4	0	14
Ground OP	3	0	1	4
Unobserved	9	31	23	63
Total	22	35	24	81

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Two TOT's were fired by Corps Arty during the period, the 1st at 0400 on troop assembly area vic 936-994 using both VT and FQ. The second was on the Diamond group of EB vic of 8898.
- At request of CBO, Rover Joe bombed enemy batteries WVB and ASB at 1050 with good results.
- 424 FA Gp and 68 Armd FA Bn AOP's adjusted on 10 enemy batteries with excellent results, getting many direct hits and all rounds in target areas.
- Both 68 Armd FA Bn planes will be deadlined for next two days for top over haul.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 101800A Feb to
111800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 42

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No major change was noted in enemy artillery dispositions over the period.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:						
101800A - 110600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps	
Unk	95	0	10	0	105	
Lt	11	0	0	0	11	
Med	104	0	0	0	104	
Hvy	10	0	0	0	10	
Total	220	0	10	0	230	
110600A - 111800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps	
Mixed	100	0	0	0	100	
Unk	150	0	25	0	175	
Lt	40	38	0	17	95	
Med	71	0	0	0	71	
Hvy	17	0	0	0	17	
Total	378	38	25	17	458	
101800A - 111800A	598	38	35	17	688	

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

One large concentration totaling approximately 100 rds of mixed arty fell on forward infantry elements in the U9696 square. Continued steady harassing, chiefly on forward elements in the U9095 (approx 151 rds), the U9195 square (approx 100 rds) and the U9394 square (approx 25 rds) constituted the majority of the enemy arty activity for the period. Some reports of harassing fire falling in the vicinity of QUEICETA (U9594), PIETRASANTA (U9792), and FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292) were received.

10 AGRA Sector

Harassing fire (38 rds) was reported as falling on forward elements in the L1702, L1706 and L1803 squares.

TF 45 Sector

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006) a total of 12 rds of harassing fire was reported. Forward elements in the L3806 square received a total of 17 rds.

BEF Sector

FIOLA (L6519) received a total of 12 rounds during the period, with the remaining 5 rounds reported as falling on forward elements in the L6221 and L6621 squares.

Damage:

None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Group	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	3	2	1	6
Harassing	15	4	2	21
Harassing 3" Gun	0	6	5	11
Troops	1	3	0	4
Total	<u>19</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>42</u>

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Group	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
AOP	2	2	0	4
Grd OP	1	0	1	2
Unobserved	16	13	7	36
Total	<u>19</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>42</u>

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Good weather permitted continuous AOP patrol but dust and smoke from our artillery cut down observation in the target area. As a result only one active enemy battery was fired on.
- b. 424 FA Group AOP adjusted B Btry 248 FA Bn (155 H) on an enemy battery (GZP) with good results. VT fuze was used in fire for effect.
- c. 92d Div Arty CP moving at end of period to old location at U-977855.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 111800A Feb to
121800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 43.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No major change was noted in the disposition of previously reported positions, but photo cover on 11 February reveals one new location in the SERCHIO Valley sector, in the 11311 square containing one light gun, and three (3) new positions in the coastal sector. Two of these locations in the U8898 and U9099 squares each contain one light gun. The third location in the P8602 square contains one possible heavy gun. Weather conditions prevented photo cover of the TF 45 and BEEF sectors.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

111800A - 120600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEEF	IV Corps
Unk	90	0	6	0	96
Lt	65	20	0	28	113
Med	13	0	0	0	13
Hvy	<u>44</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>44</u>
Total	212	20	6	28	266
120600A - 121800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEEF	IV Corps
Unk	17	0	2	12	31
Lt	41	6	12	10	69
Med	7	22	0	72	101
Hvy	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	65	28	14	94	201
111800A - 121800A:	277	48	20	122	467

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Division Sector

Practically all the shelling was on forward infantry elements between the 90 and 96 Eastings, with a few rounds falling in the rear areas.

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements north and northeast of GALLICANO (L1503).

TF 45 Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements in the CUTIGLIANO (L4006) and VIDICIATICO (L5013) areas.

BEEF Sector

Forward infantry elements between the 61 and 63 Eastings received the majority of the shelling, with a few rounds reported vicinity RIOLA (L6419).

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	0	1	0	1
Harassing	11	6*	6*	23
Troops	3	0	0	3
Total	<u>14</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>27</u>

* Missions fired by 3" guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Ground OP	3	1	0	4
Unobserved	11	6	6	23
Total	<u>14</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>27</u>

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 248 FA Bn, ground OP, adjusted its battalion on a medium gun (864-033) using 8 rounds of VT fuzed ammunition. All 8 rounds reported over target area but no visible effect.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 121800 Feb to
131800 Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 44.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

121800A - 130600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	44	0	0	20	64
Lt	23	24	0	0	47
Med	23	22	0	4	49
Hvy	16	0	0	10	26
Total:	<u>106</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>186</u>

130600A - 131800A.	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	26	0	33	0	59
Lt	60	42	0	6	108
Med	53	14	0	9	76
Hvy	17	0	0	2	19
Total	<u>156</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>262</u>

121800A - 131800A:	262	102	33	51	448
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Forward infantry elements vic M CAUALA (U9696) received the bulk of the shelling. Some rounds fell in the FORTE DEI MARMI area (U9292).

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements with GALLICANO (L1503), CASTELVECCHIO (L1605), and BARGA (L1804) receiving attention.

TF 45 Sector

Vic VIDICIATICO (L5013) received 33 rounds.

BEF Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements and RIOLA (L6419). 2 rounds of confirmed 170mm fell in FORNETTA (L5812).

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in Position	3	9	4	16
Harassing	12	5*	6*	23
Troops	5	0	0	5
Total	<u>20</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>44</u>

* Missions fired by 3" guns.

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b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	0	2	0	2
Ground OP	5	0	0	5
Unobserved	15	12	10	37
Total:	20	14	10	44

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Two enemy batteries were adjusted on by AOP in the coastal sector. Fire for effect could not be observed on the first because clouds closed in on the target. On the second the observer reported three target hits and area well covered. TOT's were fired on both from one half to one hour, later using VT fuze. Surveillance showed both to be on the targets.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 131800 Feb to
141800 Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 45.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of BEF Sector on 13 February while revealing the heavy gun position in the L6636 square to be unoccupied, located a possible heavy gun position in the L6737 square. Four new locations were reported, one light gun in the L5525 sq; one possible light gun in the L6026 sq; two light guns in the L6228 sq and two or three light guns in the L4721 sq. A total of six (6) light gun positions were vacated, four in the L6728 sq, one in the L6636 sq and one in the L7036 sq.

In other sectors no significant changes were noted..

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

131800 - 140600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	257	5	10	32	304
Med	25	0	0	15	40
Hvy	22	0	0	1	23
Total	304	5	10	48	367
140600 - 141800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	2	0	0	5	7
Lt	70	18	10	30	128
Med	0	0	0	9	9
Hvy	20	0	0	0	20
Total	92	18	10	44	164
131800A - 141800A:	396	23	20	92	531

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Practically all the shelling was between 94 and 02 castings with the majority of the rounds falling on forward infantry elements.

10 AGRA Sector

Entire enemy shelling directed at forward infantry elements between 16 and 20 castings.

TF 45 Sector

20 rds vic VIDICINATICO (5013).

BEF Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward infantry elements with GAGGIO MONTANA (L5516), MARANO (L6219) and NIOLA (L6419) receiving attention.

Damage:

None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

751 Assault Guns closed old position 1315A opened new CP 1530A at 6113-1664.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	9	8	4	21
Harassing	13	6*	6*	25
Personnel	5	0	0	5
CP	1	0	0	1
Total:	28	14	10	52

* Missions fired by 3" Guns.

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
AOP	5	2	1	8
Ground OP	6	0	0	6
Unobserved	17	12	9	38
Total:	28	14	10	52

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Corps Arty, 248 FA Bn and 633 FA Bn, fired two TOT's during period both on enemy batteries. First TOT was on enemy battery XMB (9199sq) with all available from Corps and 92 Div Arty taking part for a grand total of 19 batteries two volleys. Second TOT was fired on enemy battery ZCB after AOP made adjustment and only Corps Arty participating.
- b. Due to cloudy overcast skies AOP's were hampered in their observation in coastal sector today.
- c. 3" guns of B 248 and A 633 FA Bns detached as of 0600A today.
- d. 424 FA Gp AOP adjusted A 633 FA Bn on two enemy batteries, GYP and GDP, obtaining two hits and all rounds of fire for effect in target area.
- e. 68 Amd FA Bn AOP adjusted 68 Amd FA Bn on two enemy batteries, KXP and FGP. Fire for effect was sensed as all rounds over target area. VT fuze was used in fire for effect.

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- 1 - 76 HAA Regt
- 6 - 424 FA Gp
- 3 - 55 Obsn Btry
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 141800A Feb to
151800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 46.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

141800A - 150600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	4	0	0	0	4
Lt	27	5	0	11	43
Med	8	0	0	0	8
Mix	15	0	0	0	15
Hvy	16	0	0	0	16
Total	<u>70</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>86</u>

150600A - 151800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	3	0	11	14
Med	23	0	0	5	28
Hvy	50	0	0	2	52
Total	<u>73</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>94</u>

141800A - 151800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
	143	8	0	29	180

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Forward infantry areas and the road net received the bulk of harassing fire with roads getting major attention. 36 rds fell on forward infantry in 94-95, 95-96, and 96-96 squares. A total of 51 rounds fell on roads with 94-94, 94-93, and 95-95 squares receiving special attention. QUERCETA (95-94) and PIETRASANTA (97-92) received moderate harassing fire throughout the period, with 37 rounds estimated heavy falling vic QUERCETA.

10 AGRA Sector

Very slight harassing of 5 rounds on forward infantry in 18-03 square and 3 rounds on roads in 17-01 square.

TF 45 Sector

No report of shelling.

BEF Sector

RIOLA (65-19) received harassing fire of 22 rounds. 1 round of confirmed and 1 round estimated 170mm fell at POMMETTA (158-12). Forward infantry in 163-22 square received 5 rounds of harassing fire.

Damage:

No damage reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -	424 Gp	248 Bn	633 Bn	Total
Type				
Btry in position	14	1	3	18
Harassing	10	6*	6*	22
Personnel	4	1	2	7
Total	<u>28</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>47</u>

* Missions fired by 3" gun.

b. Observation -

Type	Air OP	Ground OP	Unobserved	Total
424 Gp	12	2	14	28
248 FA Bn	0	0	8	8
633 FA Bn	0	0	11	11
Total	12	2	33	47

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 1125 Armd FA Bn relieved of attachment to 92 Div as of 141800A. 1125 Armd FA Bn (-) attached to 473 Inf Regt.

b. 55 Obsn Btry Sound and Flash OP's closed as of 150630A.

c. Corps Arty, 248 FA Bn and 633 FA Bn, with aid of 92 Div Arty fired two TOT's during period, one on enemy CP and the other on enemy battery ZCB. Results are unknown due to poor visibility.

d. 424 FA Gp had a good day with AOP's adjusting on 12 enemy batteries. Fire for effect was very good with many hits and all rounds in target area.

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- 6 - 424 FA Gp
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 151800A Feb to
161800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 47.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 15 February disclosed slight changes in the TF 45 BEF sectors, while in the 92 Div sector no changes were noted.

Two locations, containing two medium guns each in the L2919 and L3312 squares are now reported to be suspect unoccupied.

In the BEF sector, four positions containing seven light guns, two of which were suspected to be unoccupied on former cover, are reported as being unoccupied. Four additional positions, totaling nine-ten light guns are suspected to be unoccupied. These changes principally affected the grouping North of MT BELVEDERE in the L5219, L5319 and L5220 squares. One, three gun, SP position in the L5426 square is now suspect occupied.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

151800A-160600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	11	0	0	0	11
Lt	12	0	0	12	24
Med	5	0	0	0	5
Hvy	3	0	0	13	4
Total:	31	0	0	13	44
160600A-161800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	15	9	0	13	40
Med	24	0	0	0	24
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	39	9	0	16	64
151800A-161800A:	70	9	0	29	108

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Harassing fire on QUEBECTA (U9594) totaling 14 rds. FONTE dei MAIMI (U9293) received 3 rds. 12 rds were directed on roads in U94-93 sq. 24 rds of harassing fire fell in vic C Co, 370 Inf in U9295 sq. TERRINCA (U0098) received 15 rds of harassing fire.

10 AGRA Sector

9 rds of harassing fire fell in an unknown area.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

28 rds of harassing fire fell vic of RIOLA (L6419). 1 rd of hvy fell on PORRETTA (L5812).

Damage:

None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. 248 FA Bn CP closed old position 161800A and opened at 600-120 same hour.
- b. C Btry, 248 FA Bn closed old position 151500A and opened at 603-152 at 161700A.
- c. 633 FA Bn attached 424 FA Gp for operational control. CP closed old position 152400A and opened at 614-124 at 161800A.
- d. B Btry, 248 FA Bn relieved attachment 424 FA Gp and reverted to parent unit 161800A. No change in location.
- e. B Btry, 633 FA Bn closed old position 151500A and opened at 620-122 at 161450A.
- f. 55 Obsn Btry, 8 Survey Regt, closed old position 150700A and opened at 601-129 at 151900A.
- g. Assault Guns, 751 Tk Bn relieved attachment 424 FA Gp and attached 248 FA Bn for operational control 161800A. No change in location.
- h. 424 FA Gp closed old position 171000A and opened at 579-128 same hour.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	1	0	0	1
Harassing	7	6*	0	13
Total	8	6	0	14

* Fired by 3" Gun

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Unobserved	8	6	0	14
Total:	8	6	0	14

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 92 Div Arty will control and coordinate counterbattery fire in the 92 Div sector.

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- 1 - ea Corps Arty Bn
- 6 - 424 FA Gp
- 3 - 55 Btry, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - 76 HAA Regt
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 161800 Feb to
171800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 48.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

161800A-170600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	2	0	12	0	14
Lt	3	0	0	0	3
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	4	0	0	0	4
Total:	9	0	12	0	21

170600A-171800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	7	0	0	0	7
Lt	35	0	0	0	35
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	1	1
Total	42	0	0	1	43

161800A-171800A:	51	0	12	1	64
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

Slight harassing fire with 15 rounds in U9294.

10 AGRA Sector

No shelling reported.

TF 45 Sector

Slight harassing fire on forward elements.

BEF Sector

1 round estimated heavy fell vic PORRETTA (L5812). An unknown number of rounds of medium cal fell at L635-225.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- 424 FA Group Hqs now at 579-128 closed in new area at 1000A - 17 Feb.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
CB	0	2	0	2
Harassing	8	3*	3	14
Personnel	1	0	1	2
Total	9	5	4	18

*Missions fired by 3" gun.

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b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	633 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	0	2	0	2
Ground OP	1	0	0	1
Unobserved	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>15</u>
Total	9	5	4	18

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. AOP's of the 633 FA Bn and 185 FA Bn closed in new area at 636-108 at 1600 A today.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 181300A Feb 45
191800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO 50.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

181300A - 190600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	2	0	0	0	4	6
Lt	13	4	0	0	33	50
Med	2	0	0	0	0	2
Hvy	9	0	0	0	0	9
Total:	26	4	0	0	37	67

190600A - 191800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 MT	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	3	0	0	11	0	14
Lt	14	0	0	0	26	40
Med	14	0	0	0	0	14
Hvy	3	0	0	0	2	5
Total:	34	0	0	11	28	73

181300A - 191800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 MT	BEF	IV Corps
	60	4	0	11	65	140

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector

A total of 23 rounds fell in the vicinity of FORTE dei MARMI (92-92), of which 7 rounds were reported as heavy but unconfirmed. Approximately 27 rounds of harassing fire was reported as falling on forward elements in the 9495, 9596, and 9696 squares. The remaining rounds were scattered throughout the sector.

10 AGRA Sector

Only 4 rounds of light artillery reported as falling in an unknown area.

TF 45 Sector

No shelling reported.

10 Mt Div Sector

8 rounds of unknown caliber reported as falling vicinity of QUERCIOLA (5116). The remaining 3 rounds fell near VIDICIATICO (50-13).

BEF Sector

A total of 20 rounds of light artillery was reported as falling in the near vicinity of the CP of the II F. Bn, 1st Inf Regt at CROCIATALE (5615). Approximately 15 rounds were reported as falling in the 6317 square and 12 rounds reported in the 6418 square. The remaining rounds were scattered throughout the sector.

Damage:

10 Mt Div reports 9 men wounded.

BEF reports 2 vehicles damaged, 2 men killed and 5 men slightly wounded.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. 8th How, 633 FA Bn closed in new area at 1700A, laid and ready to fire at 1800A: coordinates 628-145.

b. IV Corps Arty opened new CP at 1500A: coordinates 594-089.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	Btry in position	Harassing	Troops	Total
424 FA Group	1	0	0	1
248 FA Bn	6	21	1	28
Total				29

b. Observation:

Type	Air OP	Unobserved	Total
424 FA Group	1	0	1
248 FA Bn	0	28	28
Total			29

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Nothing to report.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 191800A Feb to
201800A Feb 45

S - 3 REPORT NO. 51.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The advance of our troops doubtless has forced the withdrawal of the 6 or 7 light guns which were in position north of MT. BELVEDERE in L5218 and L5219 squares. One gun was seen moving out of one of the positions and was taken under fire. Air OP reported 4 guns in the L4619 square.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

191800A - 200600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	5	0	0	24	6	35
Mix	0	0	0	0	100	10
Lt	36	0	0	0	3	39
Med	14	0	0	0	2	16
Hvy	3	0	0	0	2	5
Total	58	0	0	24	23	105

200600A - 201800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	1	36	18	55
Lt	11	9	23	33	35	111
Med	11	0	0	0	0	11
Hvy	7	0	0	0	0	7
Total	29	9	24	69	53	184

191800A - 201800A:	87	9	24	93*	76	289*
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*No estimate of number of rounds was available in several cases of intense shelling.

92 Div Sector

PIETRASANTA (U9792) received 5 rounds harassing fire. Also 7 rounds on FORTE dei MARMI (U9293) and 36 rounds on QUERCETA (U9594). 5 rounds on C. Co, 370 Inf. Harassing on roads amounted to 20 rounds in U9491, 9593, and 9294 squares.

10 AGRA Sector

9 rounds of light caliber harassing vicinity TRASILLICO (L1201).

TF 45 Sector

Vicinity CUTIGLIANO in L4006 square received the total of 24 rounds harassing fire.

10 Mt Sector

Forward infantry elements received intense artillery fire directed especially on MT. BELVEDERE in L5217 square. Also intense fire directed on forward elements in L5216, L5418, L5415, L5316, L5317 squares. VEDICIATICO (L5013) received 18 rounds.

BEF Sector

BOLBIANA (L5818) drew 4 rounds of harassing fire. 16 rounds fell on GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516). Forward elements in L5819 square received 18 rounds harassing fire. 5 rounds fell vicinity MARANO (L6319). Roads in L5616, L6116, and L6218 received 8 rounds. TORRACCIA in L5417 received 11 rounds.

Damage: None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	13	77	90
Harassing	0	17	17
Personnel	1	0	1
Vehicles	0	1	1
Tanks	5	0	5
Mortars	23	0	23
CP	1	0	1
Total	43	95	138

b. Observation

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	7	0	7
Ground OP	0	0	0
Unobserved	36	95	131
Total	43	95	131

- c. Survey: Z Troop, 8 Survey Regiment is operating the report center for all survey information at L586-090. This center is marked by the tactical sign "10" additionally lettered "Z Troop". The following are additional coordinates for new stations on map sheet #98:

SASSIOLARE	558680-424184	White tower with tall red spire.
PIETRA COLORA	559618-421988	Low square cream tower, with tall windows.

The above are provisional fixes.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Four missions on enemy tanks were fired by 185 FA Bn with AOP observation. Two tanks were reported knocked out.
- Corps Arty reinforced the fires of 10 Mt Div Arty on four different occasions by firing a series of prearranged counterbattery programs. Time fire was mixed with percussion to increase the effectiveness of the fire.
- AOP's of IV Corps Arty units, TF 45, 10 Mt Div Arty and 1 Inf Div Arty, BEF will not fly west of 25 Easting or east of IV Corps right boundary without permission from IV Corps Arty.
- No Cub Line effective 201600A is as follows: 2500 - 4105 - 5013 - 5511 - 5611 - 6315 - 6515.
- TOT on CASTELLICCIO (5220) at 1440A was fired by 60 guns of Corps and Div Arty with medium Bns firing 3 volleys and light Bns firing 5 volleys.
- At 0710A this morning the complete counterbattery program was fired at request of Div Commander of 10 Mt Div. This program included 30 known battery positions. The program stopped the shelling on our forward infantry elements for approximately two hours.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S Army

Period: 201800A Feb to
211800A Feb 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT NO. 52.

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Dispositions and Movements -

In the BEF and 10 Mt Division sectors, partial photo cover of 20 February reveals an additional fifteen (15) light field pieces in either new or reoccupied positions and a loss of seven (7) light guns. This same cover also shows two (2) heavy gun locations to be unoccupied, one in area North of TOLE and one Northeast of SESTOLA. No major changes were noted in the Coastal and Serchio Valley sectors on this cover. Net results of this readjustment indicates a total gain of eight (8) light pieces and a loss of two (2) heavy guns.

b. Artillery Fire -

Number of rounds reported:

201800A - 210600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	4	0	0	24	64	92
Lt	8	0	8	20	123	159
Med	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	3	0	0	0	2	5
Total	15	0	8	44	189	256
210600A - 211800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	3	0	0	15	5	23
Lt	6	7	0	8	10	31
Med	0	2	0	0	0	2
Hvy	20	0	0	0	1	21
Total	29	9	0	23	16	77
201800A - 211800A:	44	9	8	67	205	333

NOTE: 15 shellreps from 10 Mt Div sector did not give number of rounds and are not included in totals.

c. Targets

92 Div Sector

Fwd elements in U9395 sq received slight harassing fire. Greater part of shelling fell in unreported areas.

10 AGRA Sector

Slight harassing fire on road in 11502 sq vicinity GALLICANO.

TF 45 Sector

Harassing on CUTIGLIANO (14006).

10 Mt Div Sector

Practically all fire was harassing on fwd elements in vic of MT. BELVEDEFE (L5217) and in area of objective "G" (L5519). "A" OP 185 FA Bn (1492-141) drew slight harassing fire.

BEF Sector

Moderate harassing of following targets south of MT CASTELLO: junction of roads in CROCIALE (L5615), road vic La CASONA (L5617), and fwd elements vic pt. 803 (L5618). RIOLA (L6419) received slight harassing fire.

Damage: None reported.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movements -

No change.

b. Targets

Type	424 FA Group	248 FA Bn (+)	Total
Btry in position	35	64	99
Harassing	3	27	30
MG & Mortars	17	26	43
Troops	10	3	13
Total	65	120	185

c. Observation

Type	424 FA Group	248 FA Bn (+)	Total
AOP	4	6	10
Unobserved	61	114	175
Total	65	120	185

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. AOP's observed 5 enemy battery locations which were attacked with good results. Rounds were reported near the pits in all cases and a hit on an ammunition pit on one target which resulted in a large explosion. The 8" How fired for the first time on an active battery. The initial round was sensed "Range correct, Deflection Correct". After friendly bombers left the area the targets were again attacked taking advantage of VT fuze.

b. Corps Artillery again reinforced the fires of 10 Mt Div Arty by firing a series of prearranged counter-mortar programs.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S Army

Period: 231800A Feb to
241800A Feb 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 54

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Photo cover of 23 February seems to reveal a slight shifting of enemy artillery in both the 10 Mt and BEF sectors. A total of 3 positions, containing six (6) light guns, located just West of CERECILIO (L6528), now are reported to be unoccupied. At the same time three (3) positions, containing four (4) light guns and one (1) HAA position containing four (4) guns was identified vicinity of MONTESE (L5524). The heavy gun West of SAVIGNO (L6637) has disappeared while an old unoccupied position Southeast of SAVIGNO is now suspect occupied.

Cover over the Coastal sector reveals the loss of three (3) medium and four (4) light guns South of MASSA (P9001). The heavy gun East of AVENZA in the 8602 square appears to have moved out. The Serchio Valley sector was strengthened by the addition of one (1) new position containing one (1) light gun just North of CASTELNUOVO (L1308).

Results of this cover shows a total loss of five (5) light guns, three (3) medium guns and one (1) heavy gun, and a gain of four (4) HAA guns.

b. Artillery Fire -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
231800A - 240600A						
Lt	0	0	0	23	97	120
Med	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	9	0	0	0	3	12
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	16	0	0	9	42	67
Total	25	0	0	32	142	199

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
240600A - 241800A:						
Lt	54	0	0	10	130	194
Med	6	16	0	30	84	136
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	25	0	0	22	19	66
Total	85	16	0	62	233	396
231800A - 241800A:	110	16	0	94	375	595

c. Nature of fire and areas affected -

92 Div Sector:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements and vic QUERCETA (U95-94). Some propaganda shells fell vic M. CAUALA (U9696).

10 AGRA Sector:

Slight harassing fire vic BARGA (L1804).

TF 45 Sector:

No shelling reported.

10 Mt Div Sector:

Moderate harassing on forward elements with some shelling reported falling west of CASTELLUCCIO (L5411).

BEF Sector:

The largest percentage of the shelling fell in the M. della TORRACCIA (L5520) area with LORANO (L6219) receiving attention.

d. Damage:

Destroyed Brazilian OP (L572-191).

BEF - 1 killed, some wounded, number unknown.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

(1) A Btry, 185 FA Bn now laid on center line 6300 μ .

b. Targets -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn (plus)	Total
Btry in Position	20	39	59
Harassing	10	15	25
Personnel	4	6	10
Preparation	7	7	14
Total	41	67	108

c. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn (plus)	Total
AOP	9	7	16
Ground OP	3	3	6
Unobserved	29	57	86
Total	41	67	108

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. At 0650A corps artillery and the IV FA Bn, 1 Inf Div Arty (BEF) fired on 14 strong points to reinforce the preparation fires of the 10 Mt Div Arty for the attack on Mt. TORRACCIO. The preparation lasted 10 minutes. At 0705A corps artillery began a counterbattery program consisting of 32 enemy batteries. Corps artillery howitzer units attacked with 2 battery volleys of VT fuze HE on each assigned target while all other units employed fuze quick and fuze delay. Each enemy battery was harassed with 6 platoon volleys from 0715A to 0815A. Only 25 rds of enemy artillery shelling was reported during the first hour of the attack.
- b. Ground OP (248 FA Bn) on Mt. CASTELLO (5619) fired on enemy infantry twice during the 10 Mt Div attack today. The enemy were located on Mt. TORRACCIO (5520). Many casualties were observed and litter bearers were seen carrying away the wounded.
- c. Ground OP (185 FA Bn) attacked enemy personnel in a house at 535-231 scoring 3 direct hits.
- d. 185 FA Bn, adjusted by IV Corps Arty AOP, fired on enemy AA guns in vicinity MONTESE (5524). One direct hit on gun caused a large explosion. After the smoke cleared away, the adjustment was continued and 3 more direct hits were obtained.
- e. IV Corps Arty AOP adjusted the 185 FA Bn on self-propelled gun at 520-193. Observer reported two direct hits and a fire started.
- f. 10 Mt Div Arty AOP adjusted 185 FA Bn on enemy guns (FGP - 5723). A direct hit on a house to the rear of the guns caused a large explosion and a fire that was burning two hours later. Five direct hits were reported on the gun pits.
- g. 10 Mt Div Arty reported that motor movement and enemy activity was heard in CASTELLUCCIO at dusk. Corps Artillery (185 FA Bn, 248 FA Bn, 751 Assault Guns, 701 TD Bn (-)), and 10 Mt Div Arty fired a TOT at 2140A using VT, fuze quick and fuze delay.
- h. 1 Inf Div Arty (BEF) fired a prearranged counter-mortar program at 0705A to support the attack on Mt. TORRACCIO.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 56

Period: 241800A Feb to
251800A Feb 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Dispositions and Movement -

Excellent photo cover of 24 February permitted the first clear picture of the changing enemy artillery strength and dispositions in the BEF - 10 Mt Div sectors. As a result the following estimate has been made:

(1) Strength

<u>Caliber</u>	<u>Reliability</u>	<u>Total</u>
Light	61 known, 33 suspect	94 guns
Medium	6 known	6 guns
Heavy AA	4 known	4 guns
Heavy	2 suspect	2 guns
SP's	7 suspect	7 guns
Undetermined	25 known (AOP observed)	25 guns
	Total	138 guns

This figure represents an increase of approximately 40 guns since the last estimate and can be considered as a logical development in view of our recent operations.

(2) Dispositions

Considerable rearrangement of artillery within known artillery groupings was quite evident, however existing groups remained in place. Almost all of the reinforcing artillery appears to have been located in the general area of MONTESE (5524) - MT. TERMINALE (5621) - SASSOMOLARE (5924) where it was best disposed to meet our attack on MT. TORRACCIA (5520).

In other sectors opposite the IV Corps front enemy artillery dispositions remained essentially unchanged.

b. Artillery Fire -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
241800A-250600A:						
Lt	50	0	0	47	107	204
Med	3	0	0	0	22	25
Hvy	4	0	0	0	0	4
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	6	0	0	0	0	0
Total	63	0	0	45	35	86
				92	164	319
250600A-251800A:						
Lt	31	4	0	0	57	92
Med	24	0	0	2	8	34
Hvy	0	0	0	14	9	23
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	55	4	0	16	38	38
				118	276	506
241800A-251800A:	118	4	0	108	276	506

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Moderate harassing fire on forward elements vicinity QUERCETA (U9594) and vicinity SERAVEZZA (U9796).

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10 AGRA Sector:

Slight harassing vicinity B. RGA (L1804).

TF 45 Sector:

No shelling reported.

10 Mt Sector:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements vicinity M. della TORRACCIA (L5520) and RIZZO di CAMPIANO (L4817), with ROCCA CORNETA (L4917) and M. BELVEDERE (L5217) receiving same attention.

BEF Sector:

Moderate harassing fire on forward elements vicinity CASTELLO (L5719) and vicinity PALAZZO (L6321). RIOLA (L6419) and the area south of PORRETTA (L5810) received slight shelling.

(3) Damage: None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

(1) No change.

b. Targets -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Asslt Plat 751 Tk Bn	B & C Co 701 TD Bn	Total
Btry in position	1	9	0	0	10
Harassing	8	14	7	9	38
Troops	5	3	0	0	8
Total	14	26	7	9	56

c. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Asslt Plat 751 Tk Bn	B & C Co 701 TD Bn	Total
Unobserved	14	26	7	9	56
Total	14	26	7	9	56

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- No observed targets were fired on today because of poor visibility. A harassing program was fired today on different points of the road net feeding into the MT. TORRACCIO area. VT fuze was used extensively.
- 185 FA Bn fired unobserved on a bridge last night. Later an infantry patrol found the bridge damaged beyond use as a result of a direct hit.
- TOT's were fired on two reported troop concentrations in the town of S. MARTINO (5425) and RANOCCHIO (5326).

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 57

Period: 251800A Feb to
261800A Feb 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Dispositions and Movement -

Partial photo cover, over the coastal sector only, reveals one position containing one light gun, vicinity MARINA di MASSA (U8798) to be unoccupied. This same cover also reveals two (2) new positions, one position containing one light gun located on BIANCA POINT on the West bank of the F MACRA, and the other position containing two (2) light guns on the east bank of the F MACRA in the P7803 square.

Results of this partial cover shows an increase of two (2) light guns in the coastal sector.

b. Artillery Fire -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

251800A - 260600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	48	0	0	0	0	48
Med	30	0	0	0	0	30
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	250	150	400
Unk	12	0	0	0	0	12
Total	90	0	0	250	150	490

260600A - 261800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	3	16	0	15	12	46
Med	4	12	0	5	0	21
Hvy	7	0	0	0	1	8
Unk	0	0	0	10	28	38
Total	14	28	0	30	41	113

251800A - 261800A:	104	28	0	280	191	603
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(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Harassing fire vic RIPA (U9695), FORTE dei MARMI (U9292), and SERAVEZZIA (U9896).

10 AGRA Sector:

Rounds fell vic BARGA (U1704) and (U1804).

TF 45 Sector:

No shelling reported.

10 Mt Sector:

In support of a counter-attack during the night, the enemy heavily shelled forward elements vic of MT della TORRACCIA (L5520) and on the ridge NE of MT BELVEDERE (L5219) to MT TORRACCIA. Scattered harassing fire was reported in rear areas. B Btry of 604 FA Bn received conter battery fire at 0100A.

BEF Sector:

Practically all the shelling was on forward elements in the MT CASTELLO (L5619) and LA SERRA (5719) areas. Harassing fire was reported at RIOLA (6519), MARANO (6219), and BAMBIANO (5818).

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(3) Damage:

Lines of communication were reported damaged and although some casualties can no doubt be attributed to enemy artillery fire during the active periods of the night, no reports have been made to this effect.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

(1) No change.

b. Targets -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in Position	14	38	52
Harassing	2	13*	15
Personnel	2	11	13
Dumps	1	0	1
Counter Mortar	0	4	4
Total	19	66	85

c. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	6	1	7
Ground OP	2	2	4
Unobserved	11	63*	74
Total	19	66	85

* 5 unobserved harassing missions fired by 3" G.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Aerial observer of 185 FA Bn adjusted his unit on 4 active guns at 571-232. During fire for effect a large explosion was observed. Direct hits on the gun pits were reported. At 1300A the target was marked with smoke shell for dive bombers who dropped 6 bombs and made 12 strafing passes on the position. Pilots reported all pits occupied.
- b. 248 FA Bn, adjusted by 185 FA Bn AOP, fired on 4 camouflaged objects along the road at 583-235. Two fires were started.
- c. A captured German company commander of Hittenwald Bn made the following statement to interrogators with reference to the counterattack last night - "Our casualties were very heavy. Because of an air burst 15 meters from the ground, I lost 20 men out of 39". He said he had never experienced such a concentration of artillery fire in his 8 years of service, including the Russian front. VT fuze was used in defensive fires during the counter-attack.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 261800A Feb to
271800A Feb 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 58

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Dispositions and Movement -

A comparison of photo cover of 26 February with previous cover shows some changes taking place in the disposition of enemy artillery, especially in front of the 10 Mt and BEF Division sectors. A total of nine (9) positions containing fifteen (15) light guns, five (5) medium and four (4) HAA guns are reported to be either unoccupied or suspect unoccupied. All but four of these positions were located in the vicinity of MONTESE (L5524). The remaining four (4) were scattered, one position near CEREGLIO (6528), the second SW of MONTALTO (L5930), the third North of CAMPIANO (L4817) and the fourth was located near MT RAVANESE (L6535). Two (2) new positions containing five (5) light guns were also identified on this cover. One (1) position SW of MONTESE (L5524) contains two (2) light guns and the other located near TOIE (L6530) contains three (3) light guns. No change was noted in the disposition in either the Coastal or Serchio Valley sectors.

In summary this cover indicates a loss of ten (10) light guns, five (5) medium guns and four (4) HAA guns in the 10 Mt and BEF Division sectors.

b. Artillery Fire -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

261800A - 270600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	25	16	0	27	24	92
Med	12	0	0	0	34	46
Hvy	21	0	0	0	9	30
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	58	16	0	27	100	201
270600A - 271800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	36	0	0	40	77	153
Med	36	0	0	26	103	165
Hvy	7	1	0	0	0	8
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	5	0	0	16	33	54
Total	84	1	0	82	213	380
261800A - 271800A:	142	17	0	109	313	581

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements vic STAZZENA (L0496), vic SERAVEZZA (U9796) and vic VALLECCHIA (U9795) received attention.

10 AGRA Sector:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements.

TF 45 Sector:

No shelling reported.

10 Mt Sector:

Harassing fire on forward elements vic M. della TORRACCIA (L55-20) and M. BELVEDERE (L5217).

BEF Sector:

Practically all shelling was in the vic of M. CASTELLO (L5719) with PORRETTA (L5811) and RIOLA (L6418) receiving attention.

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(3) Damage:
None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

1. 185 FA Bn (- B Btry) closed old position 262230A and opened new area at same time. Locations are as follows:

CP - 553-172
A - 561-178 Center Line 6400 μ
C - 552-169 Center Line 6200 μ

2. 1125 Armd FA Bn (-) relieved attachment 473 Inf Regt and attached 424 FA Gp 271800A. A Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn, relieved attachment 10 Mt Div Arty and reverts to parent unit 271800A. C Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn, attached 473 Inf Regt 231800A. Positions will be occupied 27-28 Feb as follows:

CP - 552-151
A - 557-155
B - 551-147

3. 751 Tk Bn Assault Guns relieved attachment 248 FA Bn and attached 1125 Armd FA Bn for operational control 271200A. Platoon moving at end of period to vic 1125 FA Bn (-).

4. At close of period B Btry of 185 FA Bn changing center line to 6400 μ .

b. Targets -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	3	5	8
Harassing	1	12*	13
Motor Transport	1	1	2
Troops	2	2	4
Total	<u>7</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>27</u>

* 3 unobserved harassing missions fired by 3" Guns.

c. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
AOP	3	5	8
Ground OP	0	2	2
Unobserved	4	13	17
Total	<u>7</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>27</u>

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. A large ammunition fire was started when an AOP adjusted the 248 FA Bn on an active enemy gun.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 271800A Feb to
281800A Feb 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 59

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Dispositions and Movement -

No significant changes in the disposition or strength of enemy artillery were evident from interpretation of photo cover of 27 February. However, a localized shifting of batteries was noted. Two (2) new positions each containing three (3) light guns were identified in the vicinity of MONTESE. Four (4) positions previously reported as unoccupied or suspect unoccupied now appear to be reoccupied. These positions in the MONTESE area and north of M. BELVEDERE contain a total of seven (7) or eight (8) light guns. This same cover also shows twelve (12) other positions to be either unoccupied or suspect unoccupied and three (3) other positions appear to have lost one (1) gun each. These positions located in the vicinity of SASSO del OLA (L5219), MONTESE (L5525), TOIE (L6530), M. MOSCOSO (L6935) and area east and north of CEREGLIO (L6628) contained a total of twenty-three (23) light guns and three (3) medium guns.

Changes resulting from interpretation of this cover amount to fourteen (14) occupied gun locations as compared to twenty-six (26) vacated, or a net reduction of twelve (12) known locations in the BEF - 10 Mt Division sector. No change was noted in other corps sectors.

b. Artillery Fire -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
271800A - 280600A:						
Lt	11	12	0	157	0	180
Med	12	0	0	127	6	145
Hvy	11	0	0	0	13	24
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	9	0	0	56	52	117
Total	43	12	0	340	71	466
280600A - 281800A:						
Lt	7	16	0	110	12	145
Med	3	0	0	47	28	78
Hvy	12	0	0	0	0	12
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	3	0	0	13	22	38
Total	25	16	0	170	62	273
271800A - 281800A:	68	28	0	510	133	739

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div sector:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements with PIETRASANTA (U9792) receiving attention.

10 AGRA sector:

Harassing fire on forward elements vicinity GALLICANO (L1503) and BARGA (L1804).

TF 45 sector:

No shelling reported.

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10 Mt sector:

Majority of the shelling was in the M. DELLA TORRACCIA (L5520) and M. CASTELLO (L5719) areas. Slight harassing between ABETAIA (L5718) and BOMBIANA (L5818).

BEF sector:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements vicinity M. BELVEDERE (L5217), and VOLPARA (L6220). Harassing fire vicinity CORVELLA (L5813), vicinity BORRA (L5916), CASALINO (L6116), and PORRETTA (L5811). A gun company of the 6th Inf Regt (L623-200) received counterbattery fire at 1415A.

Damage:

10 Mt Div - 12 men wounded and 4 men killed.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

(1) 1125 Armd FA Bn (- C Btry) closed at 272010A in positions as follows:

CP	-	552-151	
A	-	557-155	Center Line 5350 $\cancel{y}$
B	-	551-147	Center Line 5350 $\cancel{y}$
AG	-	553-149	Center Line 6150 $\cancel{y}$

(2) C Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn attached TF 45 and not 473 Inf Regt as stated in report No. 58.

(3) CP, 424 FA Gp opened at 597-147 at 281500A and closed at 579-128 at same hour.

b. Targets -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	16	28	44
Harassing	3	6	9
Motor Transport	2	1	3
Troops	1	3	4
Total	<u>22</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>60</u>

c. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	9	3	12
Ground OP	2	4	6
Unobserved	11	31*	42
Total	<u>22</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>60</u>

* 6 unobserved harassing missions fired by 3" Gun.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 248 FA Bn ground OP adjusted on three (3) parked vehicles. Two were reported destroyed and a fire from stored gasoline or ammunition was started in a nearby house.

b. A total of nine (9) enemy batteries were adjusted on by AOP. During the period thirty-five (35) targets were attacked by unobserved fire in response to shellreps and requests from direct support arty.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 60

Period: 281800A Feb to
011800A Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Four new positions were located on the cover of 28 February namely: 4 light guns N of ROFFENO MUSOLO (L63-27); 3 occupied emplacements vic M. ACIDOLO (L59-23); 2 light infantry guns vic TETTEROSSE (L73-30) and 5 Nebelwerfers vic of ROGGIOLO (L70-31). One position containing 2 light infantry guns vic MALFOLLE (L71-29) is suspected to have become re-occupied.

Two positions, one containing 2 light guns SE of SASSOMOLARE (L5924) and the other a 3 gun light position were reported as suspected dummy positions. Positions reported unoccupied totaled four namely: 1 light gun vic FORNACE (L4720); 1 light gun vic CASTELLUCCIO (L5219); 2 light guns E of MONTESE (L5624) and 2 light guns vic PIUNA di SOTTO (L5925).

Changes resulting in the interpretation of this cover amount to 11 occupied gun locations as compared to 11 vacated or suspected to be dummies, thereby indicating no change in number of gun locations in the BEF - 10 Mt Div sector. No changes were noted in other sectors.

b. Artillery Fire -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

281800A - 010600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	53	0	0	107	71	231
Med	4	0	0	4	31	39
Hvy	12	0	0	0	5	17
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	3	0	0	65	74	142
Total	72	0	0	176	181	429
010600A - 011800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	3	18	0	179	297	497
Med	0	0	0	196	92	288
Hvy	0	0	0	0	10	10
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	71	99	170
Total	3	18	0	446	498	965
281800A - 011800A:	75	18	0	622	679	1394

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Shelling in unknown areas.

10 AGRA Sector:

Harassing on forward elements vic GALLICANO (L1503) and BARGA (L1804).

TF 45 Sector:

No shelling reported.

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10 Mt Sector:

Constant harassing on road from ABETAIA (L5718) to MT TOMACCIA (L5520). Harassing on GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516). Harassing on MT COSTELLO (L5719).

BEF Sector:

Harassing on MT BELVEDERE (L5217). Harassing on BOMBIANA (L5815) and vicinity. Some shelling reported vic MORANO (L6219) and vic of PIAN di CASALE (L6115). Usual 170mm harassing of PORRETTA (L5812).

Damage:

235th Engineers report 2 officers and 3 enlisted men wounded.

2. COMPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

- (1) IV Corps Arty CP opened at 579-128 at 011030A and closed at 594-089 at same hour.
- (2) Location of 424 FA Gp shown in report No 59 was in error. Coordinates are 587-147.
- (3) 34 Div Arty (Gp Hq) opened at 600-146 at 010300A.

b. Targets -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Btry in Position	13	7	20
Harassing	0	6	6
Troops	3	2	5
Vehicles	1	0	1
Dump	1	0	1
Total	18	15	33

c. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	248 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	3	2	5
Ground OP	4	2	6
Unobserved	11	11*	22
Total	18	15	33

* 6 unobserved harassing missions fired by 3" Gun.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. A forward observer of 605 FA Bn adjusted the 185 FA Bn on ammunition dump at 569-221. A direct hit destroyed one stack of ammunition.
- b. High winds prevented operation of AOP's for about 3 hours. Four enemy batteries and one vehicle park were attacked using aerial observation. A fire was started at one enemy battery position.
- c. Sixteen enemy batteries were attacked by unobserved fire during the period as a result of shelling reports.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 011800A Mar to
021800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 61

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Dispositions and Movement -

Photo cover of 1 March revealed no new gun positions and indicated a loss of five known locations totaling eleven guns. Unoccupied positions included four light guns vicinity MT. RIGNA (L63-22), two emplacements vicinity MT. ACIDOLA (L59-23), one light gun vicinity CASONE (L56-22), two light guns vicinity CAMPO DE SOLE (L57-23) and two light guns vicinity MALFOLLE (L71-30). Six suspected nebelwerfers were located vicinity GRANNARELLI (L56-22).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
011800A-020600A:						
Lt	112	0	0	152	0	264
Med	34	0	0	77	17	128
Hvy	9	0	0	5	28	42
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	25	0	0	36	2	63
Total	180	0	0	270	47	497
020600A-021800A:						
Lt	60	53	22	79	22	236
Med	0	0	0	19	5	24
Hvy	6	0	0	0	0	6
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	13	0	0	26	18	57
Total	79	53	22	124	45	323
011800A-021800A:	259	53	22	394	92	820

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Practically all the shelling was on forward elements between the 94 and 98 Eastings and also vicinity of the following towns: RIPA (U9695), PIETRASANTA (U9792), QUERCETA (U9594), SERAVEZZA (U9796), STRETTOJA (U9596), VALLECCHIA (U9795); and FORTE DEI MARMI (U9292).

10 AGRA Sector:

Slight harassing fire on forward elements with vicinity of BARGA (L1804) receiving attention.

TF 45 Sector:

Harassing vicinity CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

10 Mt Sector:

Moderate harassing fire on forward elements vicinity M. della TORRACCIA (L5520) and vicinity M. CASTELLO (L5719). Harassing fire on the road from ABETAILA (L5818) and BOMBIANO (L5818) and also GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516).

BEF Sector:

Harassing fire on forward elements and also RIOLA (L6419) and MARANO (L6219).

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(3) Damage:

92 Div - 5 men injured, 1 small arms dump set afire.

10 Mt - CP of 10 Mt Div Arty received 2 direct hits but caused no real damage or casualties.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and movement -

- (1) 8" howitzer of 633 FA Bn closed in new position (5766-1533) at 012100A and laid on Center Line of 6400 $\checkmark$.
- (2) 936 FA Bn closed in IV Corps sector at 011920A. Locations and Center Lines as follows:

Bn CP	-	588-147	
A Btry	-	5720-1573	Center Line 100 $\checkmark$
B Btry	-	5745-1539	Center Line 6400 $\checkmark$
C Btry	-	5684-1628	Center Line 6400 $\checkmark$

b. Targets attacked -

Btry in position	31
Harassing	10
Personnel	8
Tank	1
Mortars	1
House	1
	<u>52</u>

c. Observation of battery fire missions:

	<u>424 FA Gp</u>	<u>34 Div Arty (Gp Hq)</u>	<u>Total</u>
Air OP	1	13	14
Ground OP	9	2	11
Unobserved	10	27	37

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) Ground observers of 1125 Armd FA Bn adjusted on personnel and gun at 525-205. Observer reported area neutralized and gun destroyed.
- (2) AOP of 10 Mt Div Arty adjusted IV FA Bn (BEF) on an active enemy gun in FANANO (4418). Observer reported gun destroyed.
- (3) Corps artillery fired a TOT at 1115A with VT fuze on an enemy assembly area (550-218) at request of 10 Mt Div Arty.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO 62

Period: 031800A Mar to
041800A Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Enemy artillery fire was extremely light throughout the day. The majority of the known enemy artillery positions south and east of MONTESE have either been overrun or are so near our lines that they are untenable. Very little movement of enemy artillery has been observed. No new PI gun locations were detected on the photo cover of 3 March. Several SP's were observed during the day and intelligence reports indicate approximately forty SP guns are in the area of our attack. Nine enemy guns were observed in the 59-62 eastings - 28-29 northings, and one flash location and one sound location confirmed activity in that area. The above facts tend to indicate a withdrawal of the enemy artillery to the northeast to more secure positions in rear of the next defensive line; but, further verification by photo interpretation and air observation are essential before a reasonable estimate of the new enemy artillery disposition can be drawn.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

031800A - 040600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	44	4	15	0	12	75
Med	29	0	0	10	0	39
Hvy	14	0	0	0	0	14
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	54	0	0	25	22	101
Total	141	4	15	35	34	229
040600A - 041800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	29	35	3	82	24	173
Med	5	0	26	0	6	37
Hvy	1	0	5	0	0	6
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	8	0	0	0	0	8
Total	43	35	34	82	30	224
031800A - 041800A:	184	39	49	117	64	453

NOTE: These totals are only on reported rounds. It is believed that all shelling has not been reported, especially in the 10 Mt and BEF sectors. It has however been extremely light in view of our continuing attack.

(1) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

The bulk of the enemy artillery fell on forward elements in the vicinity of QUERCETA (U9594) and North of QUERCETA. Some harassing fire reported as falling near PIETRASANTA (U9792) and FIULETTO (U9490).

10 AGRA Sector:

Harassing fire on forward elements vicinity BARGA (I1804).

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TF 45 Sector:

A slight increase in harassing fire reported falling in the vicinity of CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

10 Mt Sector:

Normal harassing on forward infantry elements vicinity M DELLA VEDETTA (L5822); PIETRA COLORA (L5922); and SASSOMOLARE (L5824).

BEF Sector:

Slight harassing fire vicinity MARANO (L6219) and on forward infantry elements vicinity PALAZZO (L6422).

(3) Damage: None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

(1) Movements were completed as follows:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Closed old area</u>	<u>Opened new area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Center Line</u>
1125, CP	1945A	2130A	579-179	
1125, A	1945A	2130A	577-177	6200 #
1125, B	1945A	2130A	577-180	6400 #
1125, AG	1945A	2130A	578-183	150 #
185, B	031730A	1840A	566-177	200 #

b. Targets attacked -

Btry in position	30	Vehicles	4
Harassing	24	OP	1
Preparation	41	Smoke	1
Personnel	18	Reinforcing	3
Tanks or SP's	8	Total	130

c. Observation of battery fire missions:

Air OP	22
Ground OP	1
Unobserved	107 *
	<u>130</u>

* Includes 41 missions fired during the preparation, 19 missions on the counterbattery program and 24 harassing missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) A TOT of all available artillery with the corps was fired on a troop concentration at MONTESE (558-244) at 2400A at the request of 10 Mt Div Arty.
- (2) A smoke screen was laid down by the 185 FA Bn on MT MONTESPECCHIO (514-243) from 0710A to 0740A in support of the attack.
- (3) At 1010A, 633 FA Bn AOP reported 20 vehicles going south at 619-285. The target was reported to Rover Joe and then a battery of the 248 FA Bn was registered on a road junction 1000 yds south. The vehicles were dispersed. From this time until late in the afternoon vehicles were attacked when they presented a profitable target.
- (4) A TOT of all available corps artillery was fired on CASTEL D'AIANO (608-256) at 1420, which caused additional movement in the area and brought forth additional targets.
- (5) A total of 9 active enemy batteries were adjusted on by Air OP's.

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S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 64

Period: 041800A Mar to
051800A Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

The enemy artillery which was in position in the CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025) area has been forced to withdraw. While it is indicated that the greater part of this artillery has displaced to the north and northeast, this has not yet been confirmed by the incomplete photo cover of the last two days.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

041800A - 050600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	50	37	0	37	10	134
Med	9	0	0	25	1	35
Hvy	0	0	0	0	15	15
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	2	0	0	35	29	66
Total	61	37	0	97	55	250

050600A - 051800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	99	101	3	142	43	388
Med	16	0	0	25	53	94
Hvy	36	0	0	0	13	49
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	13	0	0	54	113	180
Total	164	101	3	221	222	711

041800A - 051800A:	225	138	3	318	277	961
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(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Moderate harassing fire directed on QUERCETA (U9594), FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) and PIETRASANTA (U9793).

10 AGRA Sector:

Forward elements vicinity SOMMOCOLORA (L1906) and those between GALLICANO (L1503) and BARGA (L1804) drew slight harassing fire.

TF 45 Sector:

Harassing vicinity CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

10 Mt Div Sector:

Harassing on PIETRA COLORA (L5922), CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025) and SASSOMOLARE (L5924). Also harassing on M. ACIDOLA (L5923) and on forward elements from MONTEFORTE (L5522) to M. DELLA VEDETTA (L5822). 100 round concentration on D Btry, 604 FA Bn (L5723).

BEF Sector:

Harassing on BOMBIANA (L5818), PALAZZO (L6321) and S. MARIA VILLIANA (L6021). Harassing on M. SERRASICCIA (L4615). Forward elements received moderate harassing fire between CASTELLACCIO (L6222) and CASTELNUOVO (L6622). Heavy caliber harassing vicinity SILLA (L5814).

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(3) Damage: None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

C Btry, 185 FA Bn on new center line of 500 m.
A Btry, 936 FA Bn on new center line of 400 m.
B Btry, 633 FA Bn moving to 622-178 at end of period. Center line - 100 m.

b. Targets -

Battery in position	66
Harassing	22
Preparation	60
Personnel	<u>42</u>
Total	190

c. Observation -

Air OP	5
Ground OP	10
Unobserved	<u>175</u>
Total	190

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 936 FA Bn was adjusted by a ground observer on personnel at 563-235. During the adjustment a target hit was scored on a nearby house which resulted in a very large explosion. Observer reported that the house apparently contained ammunition.
- (2) Corps Artillery reinforced the preparation fires of 10 Mt Div Arty firing a total of 52 prearranged preparation concentrations. 248 FA Bn fired a schedule of 10 preparation concentrations, to reinforce 1 Inf Div Arty (BEF) fires in the attack on CASTELNUOVO ridge. 68 Armd FA Bn, 1 Armd Div Arty (II Corps) fired countermortar and preparation fires to support the attack.
- (3) MONTESE, enemy occupied town, was on the receiving end of a TOT at 2300A with 10 Mt Div Arty and corps artillery firing two volleys, all available (42 guns), 50% VT fuze.
- (4) Poor visibility and high winds interfered with observation and AOP operation throughout the day.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 051800A Mar to
061800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 65

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Adverse flying weather yesterday prevented photo coverage of the new suspect gun areas. However, other intelligence sources indicates a continual increase of enemy artillery locations in the area 58 to 65 Eastings, 27 to 30 Northings. Enemy shelling increased slightly from the FANANO (L4418) area and from sectors NW of MONTESE (L5524). Shelling report azimuths on the active heavy gun continue to point to ZOCCA (L6033), but no definite location has yet been obtained. The next good photo cover should assist in determining the new enemy artillery dispositions now indicated by AOP's and ground agencies during the last three days.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

051800A - 060600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	21	0	0	101	71	193
Med	0	0	0	105	0	105
Hvy	2	0	0	3Poss	0	5
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	8	0	0	17	66	91
Total	31	0	0	226	137	394
060600A - 061800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	8	33	34	113	127	315
Med	2	0	0	38	46	86
Hvy	0	0	0	2	5	7
Unk	7	0	0	66	0	73
Total	17	33	34	219	178	481
051800A - 061800A:	48	33	34	445	315	875

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Slight harassing on ANTOSSI (U9194), PIETRASANTA (U9792) and QUERCETA (U9594).

10 AGRA Sector:

Forward elements vic M. FAETO (L1303) and CANALI (L1404) drew slight harassing fire.

TF 45 Sector:

All fire directed on CUTIGLIANO (L40-06).

10 Mt Div Sector:

Moderate harassing on CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), MADNA di BRASA (L60-24) and MT. TERMINALE (L5621). Harassing on road from MT. TERMINALE to CASTEL D'AIANO and on road junction at CANEVECCIA (L5823).

BEF Sector:

Harassing on la ROVINA (L5015), fwd elements vic POLA (L5017) and FLORIO (L5017). Slight harassing fire fell at SOPRASASSO (L6421), RIOLA (L6419) and GAGGIOLA (L5914). Again there was heavy caliber harassing vic SILLA (L5814).

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(3) Damage:

10 Mt Div reports 2 killed and several wounded by enemy artillery fire.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Closed old Area</u>	<u>Opened new Area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Center Line</u>
B, 633	2355A	0245A	623-178	100. #
A, 633	1445A	1715A	623-173	6300 #
8" H, 633	1300A	1630A	634-197	6400 #
88 mm, 248 (2)	-	1500A	625-186	-
C, 936 FA Bn changed center line to 5200 #				

b. Targets -

Battery in position	30
Harassing	23
Personnel	31
Dumps	1
Vehicles	5
MG or Mortars	3
Marking (Smoke)	1
Total	<u>94</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	10
Ground OP	9
Unobserved	<u>75</u>
Total	<u>94</u>

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) Based on a lead given by a partisan report, an AOP was sent up to look for 17 Nebelwerfers. They were located and adjusted on then followed by a TOT of 5 volleys all available Corps Artillery. Two large explosions were reported.
- (2) A total of 5 TOT's were fired on enemy occupied areas between 1300A and 1400A. Surveillance was given by AOP which reported all well grouped.
- (3) The 633 FA Bn fired 80 rds of WP smoke between 0300A and 0400A on the town of ZOCCA (L6033) to mark targets for night bombers. Air Corps reports the marking was very satisfactory.
- (4) A high performance air craft (Spitfire) adjusted the 633 FA Bn on a suspect heavy gun in the L5933 sq. The observer reported that he could not identify a gun in the pit, but a hit was scored which started a fire.
- (5) At the request of Rover Joe four heavy AA guns were harassed heavily for a 10 minute period at 1200A.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 66

Period: 061800 Mar to
071800 Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Spotty photo cover of 6 March discloses four (4) new positions. Two (2) positions in the vicinity of ZOCCA (L6033) contain one SP and 3-4/AA/H - DP. One position of two (2) light guns is located about 4,000 yards North of CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), and the fourth position containing one (1) light gun is in the 7032 square about 7,000 yards North of VERGATO (L7025). This cover reveals a loss of two (2) positions which contained four (4) light guns in the vicinity of TOLE (L6530). The net gain in known locations was three (3) guns. Sound locations, AOP observed fire missions on hostile batteries, and general artillery activity continue to indicate that the majority of enemy guns will be disposed in depth between the 57 and 67 Eastings and north of 28 Northing.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

061800A - 070600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	36	0	0	115	47	198
Med	35	0	0	38	4	77
Hvy	2	0	0	0	12	14
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	34	0	0	50	6	90
Total	107	0	0	203	69	379
070600A - 071800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	110	56	0	74	54	294
Med	14	0	2	98	33	147
Hvy	2	0	0	20	0	22
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	17	23	40
Total	126	56	2	209	110	503
061800A - 071800A:	233	56	2	412	179	882

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

The bulk of the enemy artillery fire consisted of harassing chiefly on PIETRASANTA (U9792); FONTE dei MARLI (U9292); QUERCETA (U9594); and along the road between PIETRASANTA and RIPA (9695). Some rounds were reported as falling in an unknown area.

10 AGRA Sector:

Harassing fire on forward elements in the vicinity of BARCA (L1804) and GALLICANO (L1403).

TF 45 Sector:

Very slight harassing near CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

10 Mt Sector:

Steady harassing on forward elements vicinity CAMPO del SOLE (L5723); SASSIOLARE (L5824); and PIETRACOLARA (L5922). Several rounds were directed at the cross roads just south of SASSIOLARE in the L5823 square. Approximately 35 rounds of CB fire fell in the vicinity of "C" Btry 604 FA Bn (L5722).

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BEEF Sector:

Harassing on forward elements in the vicinity of SASSO del CCA (L5219) and slight shelling on right in the vicinity of CASTELNUOVO (L6622). Some rounds were reported as falling in vicinity of MT BELVEDERE (L5217).

(3) Damage:

10 Lt Div reports 3 killed and several wounded during the period.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

Unit	Closed old Area	Opened new Area	Coordinates	Center Line
424 FA Gp Hq	1600	1630	561-157	
C, 185 FA Bn	1730	2330	574-209	0200 μ

b. Targets -

Battery in Position	52
Harassing	19
Vehicles	2
Tanks	1
Mortars	1
Personnel	14
Total	89

c. Observation -

Air OP	16
Ground OP	5
Unobserved	68 *
Total	89

* Includes 19 Harassing missions, 41 Counterbattery missions fired due to shell reports and 8 on personnel in enemy occupied towns.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) A total of 5 TOT's were fired, on active enemy batteries that AOP's had adjusted on during the day, between 1900A and 2000A. VT fuze was used exclusively on all TOT's.
- (2) A total of 11 active enemy batteries were adjusted on by AOP's during the day. Fire for effect was reported to have obtained several direct hits on gun pits and one large fire, believed to be ammunition, was started.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 67

Period: 071800 Mar to
081800 Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Photo cover of 7 March revealed 3 new one gun positions in the BORRA (L5334), LA TRAPPOLA (L6129), and ALBARELLI (L5420) areas. 16 previously reported positions totaling 32 light, 3 medium, 2 SP, and 3 or 4 heavy AA guns were reported occupied or suspect occupied. However, some of these locations have recently been studied by our ACP observers and many are reported to be unoccupied.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

071800A - 080600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	16	4	3	50	49	122
Med	39	0	0	65	22	126
Hvy	0	0	0	39	0	39
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	17	14	31
Total	55	4	3	171	85	318

080600A - 081800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	28	33	0	78	13	152
Med	22	0	0	76	10	108
Hvy	27	0	0	0	16	43
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	38	19	0	57
Total	77	33	38	173	39	360

071800A - 081800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
	132	37	41	344	124	678

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

2 concentrations fell in PIETRASANTA (U9792). Harassing vicinity RIPA (U9695) and FORTE dei MARMI (U9292).

10 AGRA Sector:

Harassing fire vicinity GALLICANO (L1503) and FERNACI (L1801).

TF 45 Sector:

Harassing vicinity CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

10 Mt Sector:

Slight harassing fire in the following areas: MONTEFORTE (L5522), CAMPO del SOLE (L5723), CASTEL d'AIANO (L6025), and M. DELLA COSTELLANA (L6224). MADNO di BRASO (L5924) and BORRA (L5923) received attention.

BEF Sector:

Harassing fire vicinity CASTELNUOVO (L6622), QUERCIOIA (L5116), RIOIA (L6419) and forward elements north of M. BELVEDERE (L5218).

(3) Known Damage:

BEF: 1 casualty.
10 Mt: 2-3 killed, 10 wounded.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Battery in position	19
Harassing	19
Vehicles	2
Tanks	2
Personnel	<u>11</u>
Total	53

c. Observation -

Air OP	10
Ground OP	3
Unobserved	<u>40*</u>
Total	53

*Includes 19 harassing missions, 3 on personnel in enemy occupied towns, and 18 counterbattery in response to shelling reports.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) Systematic reconnaissance of hostile battery locations by AOP's is being scheduled daily in order to gain additional information of enemy artillery disposition.
- (2) 936 FA Bn was adjusted on an SP gun by the 10 Mt Div Arty AOP. One direct hit was reported by the observer.
- (3) IV Corps Arty AOP adjusted the 248 FA Bn on an enemy battery at 571-265. Two hits on one gun and one hit on another was reported.
- (4) 10 Mt Div Arty AOP adjusted the 936 FA Bn on an enemy tank at 592-281. The tank was set afire by a direct hit.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 68

Period: 081800A Mar to
091800A Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Three new positions containing 4-5 light guns and 3-4 heavy AA located 1,000 yds NW of MONTESE (L5524), NE of TOLE (L6530) and NW of ZOCCA (L6033) were reported on photo cover of 8 March. Four old positions totaling 9 light guns and one SP, located west of MONTESE, vicinity of ZOCCA and in CEREGLIO area (L6528), were reported unoccupied or suspect unoccupied. Net loss in known positions is from 1-3 guns. A large number of light AA guns have shown up on photo in the last few days. The bulk of these are located north and northeast of TOLE (L6530).

The general picture of enemy artillery disposition in front of the BEF-10 Mt Division sectors now shows 24 known positions containing about 50 guns of various types and calibers. These figures do not include light AA which may later be identified as light field artillery. Further, it is believed that these totals should be increased by approximately 50 percent to arrive at a true estimate of enemy artillery strength in this area. Future photo coverage, AOP observation, and other sources will reveal additional positions which up to the present have not been detected.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

081800A - 090600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	22	0	38	107	39	206
Med	9	0	0	9	32	50
Hvy	0	0	0	1	0	1
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	5	0	0	72	10	87
	<u>36</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>189</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>344</u>
090600A - 091800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	10 Mt	BEF	IV Corps
Lt	58	15	5	38	16	132
Med	12	0	0	29	0	41
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	59	0	59
	<u>70</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>232</u>
081800A - 091800A:	106	15	43	315	97	576

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Harassing fire vicinity PIETRASANTA (U9792) and QUERCETA (U9594).

10 AGRA Sector:

Harassing vicinity FORNACI (L1801).

TF 45 Sector:

Harassing vicinity CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

10 Mt Sector:

Harassing along road from CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025) to SASSCIGLIARE (L5824). Moderate harassing fire on forward elements vicinity II. DELLA SPE (L6126) and CASTEL D'AIANO. CAMPO DEL SOLE (L5723) and MADNO DI BRASA (L6024) received attention.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 091800A Mar to
101800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 69

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Three new positions opposite the BEF-10 Mt Division sector were picked up by photo cover of 9 March. The majority of the artillery pieces located in the area N and NE of CASTEL D'AIANO and some HAA in the vic of SAVIGNO (6737). On the same cover, seven scattered positions formerly reported as occupied or suspect occupied were reported unoccupied.

Good weather permitted AOP's to continue their search for HB's, and three new locations were found and adjusted upon. Ground OP's adjusted on three others. This amounts to a net gain of two known locations from all sources.

The trend of enemy artillery disposition remains the same. The bulk being located north of CASTEL D'AIANO and northwest of MONTESE. The frequent appearance and disappearance of guns close to our front lines and scattered along the front can be attributed to the numerous SP's now being employed by the enemy in this area.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

091800A - 100600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	25	4	0	28	78	135
Med	5	0	0	0	36	41
Hvy	1	0	0	44	28	73
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	3	4	0	52	104	159
Total	34	4	0	124	246	408

100600A - 101800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	58	46	104	123	66	397
Med	17	0	0	2	40	59
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	2	20	22
Total	75	46	104	127	126	478

091800A - 101800A:	109	50	104	251	372	886

(2) Nature of fire and areas affected:

92 Div Sector:

Harassing vicinity PIETRASANTA (U9792), vic CINQUALE river in U9295 square, and in U9592 square.

10 AGRA Sector:

Harassing fire on forward elements vic BARGA (L1804) and vic CATAROZZO (L1701).

TF 45 Sector:

Harassing on forward elements vic OTANI (L3706) to CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Moderate harassing vic MT BELVEDERE (L5217) & MT TERMINALO (L5621)
Slight harassing fire received by forward elements vic MONTEFORTE (L5522).

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10 Mt-81 Rcn Sector:

Forward elements vic CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025) received harassing fire as did the road from CASTEL D'AIANO to SASSOMOLARE (L5824). Harassing also directed in vic of M DELLA CASTELLANA (L6224).

(3) Damage:

TF 45 reports 1 EM wounded and 92 Div had 1 jeep destroyed.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Center Line</u>
2 Med Regt 4/7 Btry		
"A" Trp	555-149	5330 4
"B" Trp	552-147	5330 4
2 Med Regt 8/12 Btry		
"C" Trp	558-151	5330 4
"D" Trp	559-154	5330 4
RHQ	563-154	
17 Med Regt 253 Btry		
"C" Trp	584-183	6220 4
"D" Trp	583-177	6220 4

b. Targets -

Battery in position	12
Harassing	13
Tanks	1
Personnel	5
Ammo Dump	1
Vehicles	1
Total	33

c. Observation -

Air OP	11
Ground OP	8
Unobserved	14 *
Total	33

* Includes 13 night harassing missions and 1 counterbattery target.

d. Miscellaneous -

(1) During daylight hours of 9 and 10 March corps arty has attacked 39 targets. Of this total, 34 targets were observed. This splendid performance is attributed to excellent weather and the aggressive attitude of observers.

(2) Two active enemy gun positions were successfully attacked today by 2 Med Regt (British) with observer of 1 Inf Div Arty (BEF). Fire commands and sensings were transmitted through 1 Inf Div Arty Hq where they were translated to English then relayed to the British guns.

(3) 185 FA Bn fired on vehicles and personnel at 600295. The ground observer reported that two fires were started.

(4) 2 Med Regt was adjusted by an AOP on an enemy gun at 538235. According to the observer two direct hits were inflicted.

(5) 248 FA Bn, adjusted by IV Corps Arty AOP, made a precision adjustment on an enemy gun (ZPP) and obtained one direct hit.

(6) Recent PW reports are of interest. One PW reported that 5 German guns were withdrawn in his sector for repair of damage received in counterbattery. Another PW (262 Arty Regt) reported that two battery commanders were killed recently during our counterbattery fires.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 101800A Mar to
111800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 70

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No material change has taken place in the strength or disposition of enemy artillery since our S-2, S-3 report of 091800A March. It continues to be disposed in depth adjacent to the two main roads leading to the North from CASTEL D'AIANO, one through ZOCCA, the other through TOLE. The majority of enemy fire during the period has come from the ZOCCA area and it is probable that the bulk of enemy guns are located along that road; numerous unoccupied gun pits along that road with entrances prepared from the road suggest contemplated extensive use of SP's in that area; the reported presence in the area of the 914 Assault Gun Brigade tends to confirm this suggestion. Sporadic shelling from the Northwest indicates some enemy artillery in the PANARO River valley and West thereof, but to date photo interpretation has not disclosed positions there and AOP's have located only two gun locations in that area.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

101800A - 110600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	34	0	0	61	231	326
Med	50	0	0	0	44	94
Hvy	0	0	0	3	3	6
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	1	0	0	0	78	79
Total	85	0	0	64	356	505

110600A - 111800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	106	9	13	46	53	227
Med	13	0	0	0	13	26
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	21	0	6	21	48
Total	119	30	13	52	87	301

101800A - 111800A:	204	30	13	116	443	806
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(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Vic FORTE dei MARMI (U9292), QUERCETA (U9594), and PIETRASANTA (U9792).

10 AGRA Sector:

Vic BARGA (L1804)

TF 45 Sector:

Vic ONTANI (L3706).

BEF Sector:

Vic PIZZO di CAMPINO (L4817), M. BELVEDERE (L5217), M. della TORRACCIA (L5520) and PORRETTA (L5812).

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10 Mt Sector:

Moderate harassing fire scattered over the entire sector on forward elements with majority falling vic M. della COSTELLANA (L6224), CAMPO del SOLE (L5723) and M. della VEDETTA (L5822).

(3) Damage:

10 Mt - 3 killed, 1 wounded
92 Div - 1 wounded,

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Dispositions and Movement -

- (1) C Co, 894 TD Bn (12 x 3" G) was attached for operational control to 34 Div Arty (Gp Hq) effective 111500 March, and will occupy position morning of 12 March vic 6022 grid square.
- (2) 633 FA Bn closed old CP at 1550A and open-d at 630-195 at same hour.

b. Targets -

Battery in position	12
Harassing	11
Mortars	4
Personnel	7
Vehicles	2
Dumps	2
	<u>38</u>

c. Observation -

AOP*	7
Ground OP	13
Unobserved**	18
	<u>38</u>

* Includes 1 mission observed by Spitfire

** Includes 11 night harassing missions and 7 counterbattery missions fired in response to shelling reports.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 1125 Armd FA Bn fired on a vehicle and an armored car. Adjustment was made by an AOP and a ground CP respectively. Results - one direct hit on each.
- (2) 248 FA Bn fired on an enemy occupied house. Adjustment was made by a ground OP. Results - 3 direct hits.
- (3) 633 FA Bn fired on a heavy AA position vicinity ZOCCA. Adjustment was made by a Spitfire. Results - area well covered, no visible damage.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 5 - Ea FA Gp
- 4 - 2 Med Regt
- 3 - 55 Obsn Btry
- 1 - file

- 2 -

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 71

Period: 111800A Mar to
121800A Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
111800A - 120600A:						
Lt	74	0	2	28	88	192
Med	22	0	0	9	83	114
Hvy	15	0	0	0	0	15
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	4	0	0	15	44	63
Total	115	0	2	52	215	384
120600A - 121800A:						
Lt	31	36	41	63	50	221
Med	45	0	0	0	41	86
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	0	41	41
Total	76	36	41	63	132	348
111800A - 121800A:	191	36	43	115	347	732

(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Vic PIETRASANTA (U9792), QUERCETA (U9594), Hwy No 1 from PIETRASANTA (U9792) to QUERCETA (U9594).

10 AGRA Sector:

Vic BARGA (L1804).

TF 45 Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006)

BEF Sector:

Vic C. FLORIO (L5017), CORONA (L5117), MT BELVEDERE (L5217) and MONTEFORTE (L5522).

10 Mt Sector:

Moderate harassing fire was reported in the following areas: CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), M DELLA SPE (L6126), MADNA DI BROSA (L6024), M DELLA COSTELLANO (L6224) and C BAIDINO (L6724).

(3) Damage: None reported.

(4) Miscellaneous:

A survey of the recent battle area disclosed a considerable number of enemy artillery guns abandoned or destroyed. By checking this loss with reports of losses by PW and Civilian statements the following total loss of materiel by the enemy can be estimated:

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	<u>Taken by our troops</u>	<u>Loss Rptd by PW</u>	<u>Civilians Report Destroyed</u>	<u>Total</u>
7.5 cm Hows	3	0	1	4
8.8 cm AA Guns	3	0	0	3
10.5 cm Gun-Hows	*(6)	9	2	11
15 cm Hows	0	3	0	3
SP's (either 75 or 105)	1	3	0	4
				<u>25</u>
Guns damaged as reported by PW's				5
Total				<u>30</u>

* The 6 guns taken intact are believed to be part of the total of 9 lost as reported by PW's.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Closed old Area</u>	<u>Opened New Area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u>
"C" 894 TD Bn				
Left Platoon	-	1335A	603-236	6400m
Right Platoon	-	1335A	605-236	6400m

b. Targets -

Battery in position	8
Harassing	9
Personnel	6
CP or OP	1
Vehicles	3
	<u>27</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP *	7
Ground OP	9
Unobserved **	<u>11</u>
	<u>27</u>

* Includes 1 mission observed by Spitfire.

** Includes 9 night harassing missions and 2 counterbattery missions fired in response to shelling reports.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 633 FA Bn fired on a heavy AA position (5 guns) at 584-352. Adjustment was made by a Spitfire. Results - 3 rounds in pits, 9 rounds within 15 yards and a large fire started.
- (2) 1125 Armd FA Bn attacked personnel and vehicles. Adjustment was made by an AOP. Results - one motorcycle destroyed and personnel dispersed.
- (3) 185 FA Bn fired on an SP gun at 580-310. Adjustment was made by a ground OP. Results - one direct hit.

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DISTRIBUTION:

2 - Arty O, Fifth Army	1 - Ea Div Arty
2 - CG, IV Corps	5 - Ea FA Gp
1 - CG, IV Corps Arty	4 - 2 Med Regt
1 - G-2, IV Corps	3 - 55 Obsn Btry
1 - G-3, IV Corps	1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 121800A Mar to
131800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 72

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

- (1) Good photo cover of 12 March disclosed 7 new positions containing 10-12 light artillery pieces and 2-4 heavy AA pieces, located principally in the vicinity ZOCCA (L6033) and TOLE (L6530).
- (2) Available information now indicates a slight reduction of the enemy artillery strength opposing IV Corps in the BEF - 10 Mt Division Sector. In addition to the artillery weapons damaged and captured by our troops during recent operations, it is believed that at least one reinforcing battalion of GHQ artillery has departed and that all or a part of the shattered 232 Div Artillery has been withdrawn. Considering all intelligence sources the following is believed to be a conservative estimate of the enemy's potential artillery strength between 40 and 70 Eastings.

Lt	Med	HAA	SP	Hvy	Total
50	7	8	16	2	83 guns

The general disposition of this artillery is indicated in S-2, S-3 report No. 70, dated 10-11 March 1945.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

Period	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
121800A - 130600A:						
Lt	109	0	0	26	134	269
Med	139	0	0	0	64	203
Hvy	0	0	0	0	6	6
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	6	0	0	10	101	117
Total	<u>254</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>305</u>	<u>595</u>
130600A - 131800A:						
Lt	55	8	25	115	167	370
Med	36	0	0	12	41	89
Hvy	0	0	0	0	4	4
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	11	0	0	4	6	21
Total	<u>102</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>218</u>	<u>484</u>
121800A - 131800A:	356	8	25	167	523	1079

(2) Areas shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Road between FIUMETTO (U9490) and PIETRASANTA (U9792), vic QUERCETA (U9594); RIPA (U9695) and PIETRASANTA (U9792).

10 AGRA Sector:

Vic BARGA (L1804).

TF 45 Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic ROCCA CORNETTA (L4917); MASERNO (L5522); and RONCHIDOS (L5418).

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10 Mt Sector:

Vic CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); M. DELLA CASTELLANO (L6224); LA COSTA (L6424) and road between SASSOMOLARE (L5824) and CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025).

(3) Damage: 10 Mt Div reports 5 casualties.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Battery in position	14
CP or OP	3
Harassing	12
Personnel	9
MG and Mortars	3
Vehicles	1
Tanks	1
Strong Point	1
Total	<u>44</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP*	13
Ground OP	15
Unobserved**	16
Total	<u>44</u>

* Includes 1 mission observed by Spitfire.

** Includes 12 night harassing missions, 3 counterbattery missions fired in response to shelling reports and 1 TOT on an enemy occupied town.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 633 FA Bn fired on a heavy AA position (2-4 guns) at 602-357. Adjustment was made by a Spitfire. Results - several hits in pit, 1 hit on house, and one large fire started.
- (2) 185 FA Bn fired on active guns at 580-284 and 595-282. Adjustment was made by an AOP and ground OP respectively. Results - a large fire was started on the first, 4 direct hits on the second.
- (3) 248 FA Bn attacked 3 enemy AA guns at 654-300. Adjustment was made by AOP. Results - 1 target hit on pit.
- (4) 936 FA Bn fired on a gun reported to be brought out of a cave to fire at 589-276. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 3 hits and several close rounds.

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DISTRIBUTION:

2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
2 - CG, IV Corps
1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
1 - G-2, IV Corps
1 - G-3, IV Corps

1 - Ea Div Arty
5 - Ea FA Group
4 - 2 Med Regt
3 - 55 Obsn Btry
1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 131800A Mar to
141800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 73

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

See S-2, S-3 Report, IV Corps Artillery, #72, dated 131800A March for enemy artillery strength and disposition.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported -

131800A - 140600A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	41	0	0	15	26	82
Med	0	0	0	3	29	32
Hvy	0	0	0	4	15	19
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	12	0	0	16	28	56
Total	53	0	0	38	98	189

140600A - 141800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	101	0	33	72	162	368
Med	19	0	0	11	46	76
Hvy	0	0	0	0	11	11
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	6	0	0	22	44	72
Total	126	0	33	105	263	527

131800A - 141800A:	92 Div	10 AGRA	TF 45	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
	179	0	33	143	361	716

(2) Areas Shelled -

92 Div Sector:

Scattered harassing fire on forward elements and vic RIPA (U9695).

10 AGRA Sector:

No shelling reported.

TF 45 Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006) and Hwy 12 in same area.

BEF Sector:

Vic GAGGIO MONTANA (L5516), MONTEFORTE (L5522), M. BELVEDERE (L52-17), M. TERMINALE (L5621).

10 Mt Sector:

Moderate harassing fire in the following area: CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), M. della SPE (L6126), M. VALBURA (L6424), MADNA di BRASA (L6024) and PIANI di SOTTO (L5825).

(3) Damage -

None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

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b. Targets -

Battery in position	25
CP or OP	5
Harassing	10
Troops	8
MG's and Mortars	4
Motor Transport	<u>1</u>
Total	53

c. Observation -

Air OP *	16
Ground OP	19
Unobserved **	<u>18</u>
Total	53

- * Includes 1 mission observed by Spitfire.
 ** Includes 10 night harassing missions, 5 counterbattery missions fired in response to shelling reports and 3 mortar missions on request from 10 Mt Div Arty.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (a) 185 FA Bn successfully attacked 9 targets today. Excellent results were obtained on six targets as summarized below:

<u>Target</u>	<u>Observation</u>	<u>Results</u>
Enemy activity	AOP	1 explosion, area well covered.
1/G	AOP	2 direct hits
1/G	AOP	1 direct hit
2/G	AOP	2 direct hits
Personnel in house	AOP	1 direct hit on house
2/G	AOP	3 direct hits

- (b) 1125 Armd FA Bn attacked 4 personnel targets. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 3 target hits and one dugout destroyed.
 (c) 633 FA Bn attacked 1-2 guns light at 606-349. Adjustment was made by Spitfire. Results - several hits and one fire started.
 (d) 936 FA Bn attacked enemy gun at 596-293. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - one direct hit in pit.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - CG, 34 Div Arty (Gp Hq)
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 4 - 2 Med Regt
- 3 - 55 Obsn Btry
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 141800A Mar to
151800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 74

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

- (1) Good quality photo cover on 14 March disclosed 2 new positions containing 5-6 light guns in the areas south of ZOCCA (L6033) and north of TOLE (L6530). One position containing 2 light guns in the area south of ZOCCA was reported unoccupied. Three one-gun positions were located by sound ranging in the area between ZOCCA and TOLE and an AOP located a 4 gun battery firing from the vicinity BERTOCCHI (L5528).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

- (1) Number of rounds reported:

		92 Div		365				
		Coastal	Serchio	Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
141800A - 150600A:								
	Lt	148	No	0	43	188	379	
	Med	19	Report	0	0	0	19	
	Hvy	5		0	8	3	16	
	Mix	0		0	0	0	0	
	Unk	20		0	26	126	172	
	Total	192		0	77	317	586	
		92 Div		365				
150600A - 151800A:								
	Lt	6	60	4	366	88	524	
	Med	13	0	2	0	0	15	
	Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Unk	2	0	0	30	48	80	
	Total	21	60	6	396	136	619	
141800A - 151800A:		213	60	6	473	453	1205	

- (2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Vic RIPA (U9695); FORTE DEI MARMI (U9293); vic PIETRASANTA (U9893); SERAVEZZA (U9696); M. FAETO (L1303); vic BARGA (L1303); L1703 and L1705.

365 Inf Sector:

CUTIGLIANO (L4006) and L3706 square.

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522) and forward elements south and southeast of MONTESE. Areas vicinity L5523; L5622 and L5623 received most of the shelling.

10 Mt Sector:

CAMPO DEL SOLE (L5723), CANEVACCIA (L5823), CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); M. DELLA CASTELLANA (L6324); SPECCHIO (L6325).

- (3) Damage: None reported.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

Unit	Closed old area	Closed new area	Coordinates	Center Line
CP, 936 FA Bn	1930A	2125A	621-200	
A Btry	1930A	2125A	629-202	6400M
B Btry	1930A	2125A	613-215	6350M
C Btry	1930A	2125A	616-214	6350M
B Btry, 248 FA Bn				6050M

b. Targets -

Battery in position	27
Personnel	10
Harassing	18
Motor vehicles	1
Mortars	2
CP	1
Total	59

c. Observation -

Air OP	19
Ground OP	10
Unobserved	30*
Total	59

* Includes 18 night harassing missions, 11 counterbattery missions fired due to shellreps and 1 mission on personnel.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) Corps arty AOP's fired 12 prearranged photo targets. Excellent results were obtained on 3 targets as shown in summary below.

Unit firing	Observation	Results
1125 Armd FA Bn	AOP	1 direct hit
185 FA Bn	AOP	2 hits on pit
185 FA Bn	AOP	2 direct hits

- (2) 633 FA Bn, firing the 8" H, attacked two houses which harbored enemy guns. An AOP made the adjustment. Results - both houses destroyed by direct hits.
- (3) 185 FA Bn attacked an enemy occupied house at 603-285. A ground OP made the adjustment. Results - 6 direct hits on house.
- (4) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy occupied house at 598-298. A ground OP made the adjustment. Results - 4 direct hits.
- (5) 185 FA Bn fired on enemy activity at 543-299. An AOP made the adjustment. Result - 1 explosion and 3 direct hits.
- (6) 185 FA Bn attacked enemy personnel in buildings. A ground OP made the adjustment. Result - 1 house and 2 sheds destroyed.

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DISTRIBUTION:

2-- Arty O, Fifth Army
2 - CG, IV Corps
1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
1 - G-2, IV Corps
1 - G-3, IV Corps

1 - Ea Div Arty
6 - CG, 34 Div Arty (Gp Hq)
6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
4 - 2 Med Regt
3 - 55 Obsn Btry
1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 75

Period: 151800A Mar to
161800A Mar 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

- (1) Recent photo locations have tended to confirm previously known sound and AOP locations. The strength and disposition of enemy artillery remains unchanged.

See S-2, S-3 Report, IV Corps Artillery #74, dated 151800A March for enemy artillery strength and disposition.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

- (1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div		365			
151800A - 160600A:	Coastal	Serchio	Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	37	30	0	100	32	199
Med	0	10	0	2	6	18
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	1	0	0	28	8	37
Total	38	40	0	130	46	254

	92 Div		365			
160600A - 161800A:	Coastal	Serchio	Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	110	0	58	66	107	341
Med	11	0	0	0	20	31
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	9	0	0	10	95	114
Total	130	0	58	76	222	486

151800A - 161800A:	168	40	58	206	268	740
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- (2) Area Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Vic FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) and along coastal road between FORTE dei MARMI and CINQUALE (U9095). In the Serchio Valley vic VERGEMOLI (L1002) and GALLICANO (L1403).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic PIAN degli ONTANI (L3706).

BEF Sector:

Vic ROCCA CORNETA (L4917), GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516) and MONTE FORTE (L5522).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); MT GRANDE (L5926); SASSOMOLARE (L5824) and along road from SASSOMOLARE to CASTEL D'AIANO.

- (3) Damage:

1 TD hit in the vicinity of CASTEL D'AIANO.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

Unit	Closed old area	Opened new area	Coordinates	Center Line
C, 1125 AFA Bn	151200A	152340A	636-217	-

1125 Armd FA Bn detached 34 Div Arty (Gp Hq) and atchd 10 Mt Div Arty as of 161800A.

936 FA Bn detached 424 FA Gp and IV Corps Arty 161800A.

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b. Targets -

Battery in position	15
Harassing	17
Personnel	5
CP or OP	4
Road Block	1
Tanks	1
	<u>43</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	5
Ground OP	10
Unobserved *	<u>28</u>
	43

* Includes 17 night harassing missions, 10 counterbattery missions fired due to shell reps (9 night, 1 day light) and 1 TOT on enemy occupied town.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 936 FA Bn fired on buildings containing guns at 616-296. Adjustment was made by 10 Mt Div Arty AOP. Results - 6 target hits and 3 large explosions.
- (2) 936 FA Bn was adjusted by a Bn AOP on enemy guns at 609-313. Results - 3 hits on house near guns and near misses on pit.
- (3) Poor visibility during the late morning and afternoon greatly reduced the effectiveness of AOP observation.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - ea Div Arty
- 6 - CG, 34 Div Arty (Gp)
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 4 - 2 Med Regt
- 3 - 55 Obsn Btry
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 161800A Mar to
171800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 76

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change noted.

See S-2, S-3 Report, IV Corps Artillery #74, dated 151800A March for enemy artillery strength and disposition.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div		365				
	Coastal	Serchio	Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
161800A - 170600A:							
Lt	35	25	0	103	90	253	
Med	0	0	0	0	15	15	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	0	0	0	7	61	68	
Total	35	25	0	110	166	336	
170600A - 171800A:							
Lt	148	42	14	8	35	247	
Med	62	0	0	25	10	97	
Hvy	3	0	0	0	0	3	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	12	0	0	0	14	26	
Total	225	42	14	33	59	373	
161800A - 171800A:	260	67	14	143	225	709	

(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Vic QUERCETA (U9594), RIPA (U9695), vic BARGA (L1804) and GALLICANO (L1403).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic M. TERMINALE (L5621), MONTE FORTE (L5522), M. della TORRACCIA (L5520).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), SASSOMOLARE (L5824), M. della CASTELLANA (L6224), MORANO (L6219) and M. della SPE (L6126).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

Hq 34 Div Arty (Group) detached IV Corps Arty reverts to 34 Inf Div effective on arrival in assembly area, vicinity CALENZANO (72-78)

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Two (2) 88 mm guns (German) detached 248 FA Bn and attached 424 FA Gp 171200A.

185 FA Bn detached 424 FA Gp effective 171800A and reverts to parent unit.

633 FA Bn attached to 424 FA Gp 171800A.

248 FA Bn attached to 424 FA Gp 171800A.

894 TD Bn "C" Co attached to 424 FA Gp for operational control effective 171800A.

424 FA Gp closed old area 1800A, opened new area 1400A at 652-192.

b. Targets -

Battery in position	28
Harassing	21
Personnel	6
Tanks	2
Mortars	<u>1</u>
	58

c. Observation -

Air OP	17
Ground OP	10
Unobserved *	<u>31</u>
	58

* Includes 21 night harassing missions, 9 counterbattery missions in response to shell reports, and 1 TOT on enemy occupied town.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (a) 185 FA Bn attacked 2 personnel targets. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 9 target hits and one fire started.
- (b) 248 FA Bn fired on an enemy battery (VGP). Adjustment was made by AOP. Results - one explosion.
- (c) C Co, 894 TD Bn fired on an enemy occupied house. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 5 direct hits.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - ea Div Arty
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 6 - GOC, 10 AGRA
- 6 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - OC, 76 HAA Regt
- 1 - CO, TF 45
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 171800A Mar to
181800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO 77

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

See S-2, S-3 Report, IV Corps Artillery #74, dated 151800A March for enemy artillery strength and disposition.

The noticeable decrease in enemy artillery activity for last 3 days may represent a change in disposition and strength of enemy artillery. Lack of photo cover and scarcity of reports from other intelligence agencies have made detection of any such change, as yet, impossible.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div		365			
171800A - 180600A:	Coastal	Serchio	Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	7	30	0	43	4	84
Med	0	0	0	0	8	8
Hvy	0	0	0	4	26	30
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	25	17	42
Total	7	30	0	72	55	164

	92 Div		365			
180600A - 181800A:	Coastal	Serchio	Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	70	5	52	16	14	157
Med	3	0	0	0	5	8
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	0	15	15
Total	73	5	52	16	34	180

171800A - 181800A: 80 35 52 88 89 344

(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Forward elements (U9295); (U9395); and (U9496).

Serchio: Forward elements.

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

GRANNARELLI (L5521), MT TERMINALE (L5621), MONTE FORTE (L5522), and PIANETTO (L4916).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CASTEL D'AIANO (L6125).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

B Btry, 248 FA Bn closed old area 180200A, detached IV Corps Arty and attached II Corps on arrival in new area.

IV Corps Arty air liaison section moved to new strip at 583-129.

b. Targets -

Battery in position	4
Harassing	14
Personnel	8
Vehicles	2
Machine Guns	1
Mortars	1
Dumps	1
	<u>31</u>

c. Observations -

Air OP	4
Ground OP	13
Unobserved	14*
	<u>31</u>

* Includes 14 night harassing missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 248 FA Bn attacked 2 enemy batteries at 624-292 and 619-295. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 7 direct hits.
- (2) 248 FA Bn fired on 2 vehicular targets at 619-282 and 616-292. Adjustment was made by AOP and ground OP respectively. Results - 5 target hits.
- (3) C Co, 894 TD Bn attacked enemy personnel in house at 597-281. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 5 direct hits on house.
- (4) 633 FA Bn fired on an active enemy battery at 542-298. Adjustment was made by AOP. Result - Battery neutralized, no visible effect.
- (5) 2d Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 463-205. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 2 direct hits on house.
- (6) 2d Med Regt fired on a dump at 428-214. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 1 direct hit.

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1 - G-2, IV Corps	1 - CC, 76 HAA Regt
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 181800A Mar to
191800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 78

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Photo cover of 18 March revealed some shifting of enemy artillery within groupings but indicated no change in overall strength or disposition.

See S-2, S-3 Report, IV Corps Artillery #74, dated 151800A March for enemy artillery strength and disposition.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

181800A - 190600A:	92 Div	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	42	30	0	0	59	131
Med	5	0	0	6	20	31
Hvy	0	0	0	3	0	3
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	12	0	0	3	27	42
Total	59	30	0	12	106	207

190600A - 191800A:	92 Div	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	47	50	49	28	4	178
Med	8	10	0	0	0	18
Hvy	0	0	0	0	3	3
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	0	4	4
Total	55	60	49	28	11	203

181800A - 191800A:	92 Div	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
	114	90	49	40	117	410

(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: FORTE DEI MARMI (U9696); SERAVEZZA (U9796); vic (U9394); vic (U9595).

Serchio: GALLICIANO (L1403).

365 Inf Sector:

Road nets vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

MASERNO (L5522); M. CAPPEL BUSO (L4716). Heavy caliber vic PORRETTA (L5312); M. BELVEDERE (L5217).

10 Mt Sector:

CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); LA CASTA (L6423); CASTELNUOVO (L6622); SPICCHIO (L6325); vic C Btry, 894 TD Bn (L642-199).

(3) Damage: None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

A Btry, 248 FA Bn closed old area 190300A, detached IV Corps Arty and attached II Corps upon arrival in new area.

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a. Disposition and Movement - (cont'd)

310 Btry, 178 Med Regt (5.5" H)(British) attached IV Corps Artillery at 182200A and opened new positions as follows:

Unit	Opened New Area	Coordinates	Left Line	Rt Line
310 Btry, 178 Med Regt	2200A	582-231	-	-
C Troop, 310 Btry	1945A	631-201	345°	50°
D Troop, 310 Btry	2150A	578-225	350°	50°

b. Targets -

Battery in position	28
Harassing	15
Personnel	5
CP & OP	2
Vehicles	2
Total	52

c. Observation -

Air OP	17
Ground OP	5
Unobserved *	30
Total	52

* Includes 16 night harassing missions, 11 night counterbattery missions, and 3 TOTs on enemy occupied towns.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) C Btry, 248 FA Bn fired 9 observed missions against enemy batteries. Excellent results were obtained on seven targets as shown in summary below.

Target	Location	Observation	Results
2/G/M	601-311	AOP	2 direct hits
2/G/L	618-319	AOP	4 direct hits
3/G/L	583-310	AOP	1 direct hit
2/G/L	646-282	AOP	1 direct hit
1/G/L	609-312	AOP	1 direct hit
1/G/L	625-286	AOP	1 direct hit
1/G/?	608-288	AOP	1 direct hit

- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on a 170mm gun at 660-365. Adjustment was made by Spitfire in the morning and repeated in the afternoon. Results - many near hits but no destruction observed. Five battalion volleys followed the last adjustment but were not observed. Pilot observed gun in pit which was confirmed by three oblique photos taken during adjustment. Target is scheduled to be bombed the morning of 20 March.
- (3) 178 Med Regt attacked an enemy battery at 666-332. Adjustment was made by spitfire. Results - battery neutralized, no visible effect.
- (4) 17 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 543-251. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 2 direct hits on house.
- (5) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy CP at 516-255. Adjustment was made by Air OP. Results - 1 direct hit on CP.

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6 - GOC, 10 AGRA
1 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
1 - OC, 76 HAA Regt
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 191800A Mar to
201800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 79

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change noted.

See S-2, S-3 Report, IV Corps Artillery #72 dated 131800A March for enemy artillery strength and disposition.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

191300A - 200600A:	92 Div	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	94	0	0	44	5	143
Med	59	0	0	0	46	105
Hvy	8	0	0	0	0	8
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	3	0	0	0	30	33
Total	164	0	0	44	81	289
200600A - 201800A:	92 Div	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	57	20	26	70	19	192
Med	14	5	0	0	10	29
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	2	0	0	0	65	67
Total	73	25	26	70	94	288
191800A - 201800A:	237	25	26	114	175	577

(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) and PIETRASANTA (U9792).

Serchio: Vic GALLICANO (L1403) and BARGA (L1804).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic ROCCA CORNETTA (L4917); M. BELVEDERE (L5217) and MONTEFORTE (L5522).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CAMPO del SOLE (L5723); CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); M. della CASTELLANA (L6224) and M. SPICCHIONE (L6325).

(3) Damage:

92 Div reports 4 killed and 10 wounded and BEF reports 1 wounded.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

C Btry, 248 FA Bn closed old position at 200300A, detached IV Corps Arty and attached II Corps upon arrival in new area.

309 Btry, 178 Med Regt (5.5" H) (Br) closed into new positions as follows:

Unit	Opened New Area	Coordinates	RL	LL
309 Btry, 178 Med Regt	-	-	-	-
A Troop	2200	592-233	50°	350°
B Troop	2200	587-232	50°	350°

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a. Disposition and Movement - (Cont'd)

C Co, 894 TD Bn closed old position 191500A and reverted to corps anti-tank reserve.

B Co, 701 TD Bn opened new positions acting in artillery role as follows:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Closed New Position</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u>
Hq B Co, 701 TD Bn	1600A	604-236	
A Btry	1600A	603-236	6400 π
D Btry	1600A	605-236	6400 π

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	11
Harassing	17
Personnel	4
CP's	1
Vehicles	3
Ammo dump	1
	<u>37</u>

c. Observation -

AOP	5
GOP	6
Unobserved	26*
	<u>37</u>

* Includes 17 night harassing missions, 9 night counterbattery missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

1. 2 Med Regt adjusted on active enemy guns at 513-254. Adjustment was made by AOP. Results - 5 rounds within 20 yds - no visible effect.
2. 633 FA Bn fired on active enemy battery at 578-280. Adjustment was made by AOP. Results - many near misses, no visible effect.
3. 178 Med Regt fired on enemy tank at 626-314. Adjustment was made by AOP. Results - 1 direct hit, track believed blown off.
4. 178 Med Regt fired on vehicles at 638-280. Adjustment was made by ground OP. Results - 5 vehicles were seen burning.
5. 178 Med Regt fired on ammo dump at 633-278. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 2 direct hits.
6. 178 Med Regt fired on personnel in house at 622-291. Adjustment was made by AOP. Results - 1 direct hit on house.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 201800A Mar to
211800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 80

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change noted.

See S-2, S-3 Report, IV Corps Artillery #72 dated 131800A March
for enemy artillery strength and disposition.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

		92 Div					
201800A - 210600A:		Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	110	5	0	8	89	212	
Med	5	0	0	0	4	9	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	4	0	0	15	17	36	
Total	119	5	0	23	110	257	

		92 Div					
210600A - 211800A:		Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	118	15	0	65	24	222	
Med	32	5	0	0	5	42	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	25	0	0	0	86	111	
Total	175	20	0	65	115	375	

201800A - 211800A:						
	294	25	0	88	225	632

(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic QUERCETA (U9495); RIPA (U9695); SERAVEZZA (U9796);
and along coastal road between FORTE dei MARMI (U9292) and CINQUALE
(U9095).

BEF Sector:

Vic VALPIANA (L5118); M BELVEDERE (L5217); MONTE FORTE (L5522).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic M GRANDE (L5826); CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); and M DELLA SPE
(L6126).

(3) Damage:

92 Div reports 1 killed and BEF reports 1 wounded.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	2
Harassing	10
Personnel	4
CP	1
Mortars	1
	18

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c. Observation -

Air OP	1
Ground OP	6
Unobserved	11 *
	<u>18</u>

* Includes 10 night harassing missions, 1 counterbattery mission in response to a shelling report, in coordination with a sound location.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 178 Med Regt attacked an enemy battery at 609-311. Adjustment by Air OP. Only 10 rounds were expended. Results - 1 direct hit and 3 rounds within 10 yards.
- (2) 2d Med Regt attacked mortar position at 457-184. Adjustment by Ground OP. Results - mortars neutralized, no visible effect.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 211800A Mar to
221800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO 81

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE.

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

In the area south of ZOCCA (6033) photo cover for the past three days has revealed the gradual withdrawal of approximately three batteries of light artillery from positions within 2000 yards of our present front lines. It would also appear that these guns now occupy better defensive locations north of the 30 Northing. The positions of several other light batteries previously located in this general area and two battery positions north of TOLE (6530) are now reported to be unoccupied. This loss in known locations together with the recent decline in shelling may be indicative of a further reduction in enemy artillery strength.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported.

	92 Div						
	Coastal	Sarchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
211800A - 220600A:							
Lt	114	0	6	6	4	130	
Med	77	0	0	0	24	101	
Hvy	7	0	0	0	0	7	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	0	0	0	0	68	68	
Total	198	0	6	6	96	306	
	92 Div						
220600A - 221800A:	Coastal	Sarchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
Lt	123	0	9	34	29	195	
Med	22	0	0	0	0	22	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	0	0	0	0	18	18	
Total	145	0	9	34	47	235	
211800A - 221800A:	343	0	15	40	143	541	

(2) Areas shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: VIC QUERCETA (U9594); RIPA (U9695); FORTE dei
MARMI (U9292).

365 Inf Sector:

VIC CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

VIC MONTEFORTE (L5522); ROCCA CORNETA (L4917); M BELVEDERE
(L5217).

10 Mt Sector:

VIC CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); M DELLA COSTELLANA (L6224); M
NUVOLETTI (L5926); SASSOMOLENE (L5824); C MONTEPETTO (L6924).

(3) Damage:

92 Div reports 1 Anti Tank gun damaged.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	7
Harassing	14
Personnel	10
CP	1
Mortar	1
	<u>33</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	7
Ground OP	12
Unobserved	14 *
	<u>33</u>

* Includes 14 night harassing missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy battery XPP at 624-303. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 5 direct hits and 2 explosions.
- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on 232 Div CP (German) at 534-375. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - 6 direct hits.
- (3) 178 Med Regt fired on two enemy batteries, UBV (619-313) and QBY (609-311). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 direct hit in pits of each battery.
- (4) 178 Med Regt fired on active enemy battery at 606-310. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 direct hits.
- (5) 2 Med Regt fired on active enemy battery at 542-300. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 direct hits.
- (6) 17 Med Regt fired on enemy dug-out at 545-251. Adjustment by Ground OP. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (7) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 633-278. Adjustment by Ground OP. Results - 2 direct hits.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 221800A Mar to
231800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 82

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No changes noted.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported -

	92 Div						
221800A - 230600A:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
Lt	196	73	0	1	53	278	
Med	72	0	0	0	0	72	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	16	0	0	1	30	47	
Total	284	28	0	2	83	397	

	92 Div						
230600A - 231800A:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
Lt	25	20	49	95	29	218	
Med	0	0	0	3	15	18	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	0	0	0	9	50	59	
Total	25	20	49	107	94	295	

221800A - 231800A:	309	48	49	109	177	692
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(2) Areas Shelled:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic QUERCETA (U9494); FORTE dei MARMI (U9392); RIPA (U9695); M. CUCCO (U9894).
Serchio: Vic GALLICANO (L1503); BARGA (L1804).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic BELVEDERE (L5217); MONTEFORTE (L5522); MASERNO (L5522); TUFFI (L5622).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CHIRICHETTA (L5823); SASSOMOLARE (L5824); GUALANDI (L5925); CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); M. DELLA CASTELLANA (L6224); M DELLA SPE (L6126).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

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b. Targets -

Battery in Position	8
Harassing	11
Mortars & MG's	3
Vehicles	1
Dugout	2
Personnel	3
Total	28

c. Observation -

Air OP	7
Ground OP	8
Unobserved	13 *
Total	28

* Includes - 11 night harassing missions, 2 night counterbattery missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) B Co, 701 TD Bn fired on enemy occupied house at 607-289. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - many direct hits, house left burning.
- (2) B Co, 701 TD Bn fired on enemy dugout at 606-289. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 2 direct hits.
- (3) 17 Med Regt fired on enemy MG in house. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 2 direct hits on house.
- (4) 178 Med Regt attacked an enemy battery (ASP) at 593-342. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - fire started, no other visible effect.

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- 1 - OC, 111 Fd Regt
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 231800 Mar to
241800 Mar 45

S-2, S-3, REPORT
NO. 83

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Photo cover of 23 March indicated a net increase of seven known light **gun** locations and one probable heavy gun. Changes noted were all within previously identified hostile gun areas. The heavy gun is located in the 65-37 square. No other changes in general disposition are evident.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported -

		92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
231800A - 240600A:	Coastal	Serchio					
	Lt	34	0	0	10	6	50
	Med	49	0	0	0	0	49
	Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unk	0	0	0	0	27	27
	Total	83	0	0	10	33	126

		92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
240600A - 241800A:	Coastal	Serchio					
	Lt	25	10	20	64	37	156
	Med	33	0	0	15	0	48
	Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unk	0	0	0	12	16	23
	Total	58	10	20	91	53	232

231800A - 241800A: 141 10 20 101 86 358

(2) Areas shelled -

92 Div Sector:

Coastal - Vic RIPA (U9695); QUERCETA (U9494); N of FORTE dei MARMI (U9294).

Serchio - Vic BARGA (L1804).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4005), (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic ROCCA CORNETA (L4917), PIANETTO (L4916), IOLA (L5621), CASONE (L5722).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic NATALINO (L5824), MONTI (L6324), CANOLLE (L6124).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 241800A Mar to
251800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 84

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No changes noted.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported -

		92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
241800A - 250600A:	Coastal	Serchio					
Lt	19	15	0	54	30	118	
Med	4	0	0	0	0	4	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	0	0	0	16	138	154	
Total	23	15	0	70	168	276	

		92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
250600A - 251800A:	Coastal	Serchio					
Lt	64	50	32	236	20	402	
Med	0	0	0	0	16	16	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	31	0	0	38	76	145	
Total	95	50	32	274	112	563	

241800A - 251800A:	118	65	32	344	280	839

(2) Areas Shelled -

92 Div Sector:

Coastal - Vic QUERCETA (U9594); FORTE dei MARMI (U9292); RIPA (U9695) and along road from Hwy 1 west to the coast.
Serchio - Vic BARGA (L1804).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic ROCCA CORNETTA (L4917); CORONA (L5117); M. BELVEDERE (L5217); MONTEFORTE (L5522); MASERNO (L5522); M. TERMINALE (L5621) and CASA LAMA (L5623). A concentration fell vic 1st Bn, 3rd Btry position at 1500A.

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CAMPO del SOLE (L5723); SASSOMOLARE (L5822); M. GRANDE d'AIANO (L5926); CASTEL d'AIANO (L6025); M. SPICCHIONE (L6225) and CASELLA (L6323).

(3) Damage:

BEF - 1 man killed.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

Left Plat, B Co, 701 TD Bn opened new position at 2000A.
Coordinates 592-237 and center line 300 m.

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	7
CP or OP	5
Harassing	9
Personnel	9
Strong Point	1
Motor Transport	3
MG & Mortars	1
Ammunition Dump	1
	<u>36</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	10*
Ground OP	14
Unobserved	12**
	<u>36</u>

* Includes one mission observed by Spitfire.

** Includes 9 night harassing missions, 3 TOT missions on enemy occupied towns and assembly areas.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 8" Howitzer, 633 FA Bn fired on enemy gun WAP (6730) and XEP (6132). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - WAP - 2 direct hits in pits and several rounds within 10 yds; XEP - area very well covered, no visible effect.
- (2) 178 Med Regt fired on ammunition dump at 631-273. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 3 direct hits and a large flash seen.
- (3) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy gun WBP (48-29). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 direct hits and rounds in area.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 251800A Mar to
261800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 85

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

A net increase of eight known light gun locations and one SP, in the vicinity of ZOCCA (L6032), MONTETONE (L6230) and M POGGIO (L6829), was indicated by interpretation of photo cover of 25 March. No other changes were evident.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported -

	92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
251800A - 260600A:	Coastal	Serchio				
Lt	78	0	0	80	52	210
Med	0	0	0	14	8	22
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	14	388	402
Total	78	0	0	108	448	634

	92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
260600A - 261800A:	Coastal	Serchio				
Lt	158	16	17	87	31	309
Med	7	0	0	0	0	7
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	5	0	0	15	59	79
Total	170	16	17	102	90	395

251800A - 261800A:	248	16	17	210	538	1029
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(2) Areas shelled -

92 Div Sector:

Coastal - Vic QUERCETA (U9494), BERTOLI (U9392) FORTE dei MARMI (U9293), RIPA (U9695), M CAULA (9696).

Serchio - Vic M FAETO (L1303).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), M CAPPEL BUSO (L4716), TUFFI (L5622), CORONA (L5117), M TRASILLICO (L4615), M BELVEDERE (L5217), VALPIANA (L5118), and QUERCIOLO (L5016).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic SASSOMOLARE (L5624), M GRANDE D'AIANO (L5826), M DELLA SPE (L6126), and CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025).

(3) Damage:

92 Div reports a powder pit destroyed; BEF reports 4 men wounded.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Battery in Position	8
Harassing	16
Personnel	<u>6</u>
	30

c. Observation -

Air OP	4
Ground OP	6
Unobserved	<u>20*</u>
	30

*Includes 16 night harassing missions, 4 counterbattery missions in response to shell reports.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 701 TD Bn, "B" Co, attacked personnel in a dug-out. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - many hits observed and one fire started.
- (2) Unfavorable weather during latter part of period restricted Air OP operation.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

PERIOD: 261800A Mar to
271800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 86

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported -

	92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
261800A - 270600A:	Coastal	Serchio				
Lt	54	0	0	153	17	224
Med	3	0	0	0	0	3
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	6	0	0	0	9	15
Total	63	0	0	153	26	242

	92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
270600A - 271800A:	Coastal	Serchio				
Lt	7	0	0	0	6	13
Med	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	4	0	0	0	7	11
Total	11	0	0	0	13	24

261800A - 271800A:	74	0	0	153	39	266
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(2) Areas receiving shelling:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic QUERCETA (U9594), M. CASTIGLIONE (U9695) and M. CAUALA (U9696).

Serchio: No shelling reported.

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), VALPIANA (L5118) and CAPPEL BUSO (L4716).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic SASSAMOLARE (L5824), BICOCCHIO (L5623) and MONTESINISTRO (L62-25).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	3
Harassing	16
Personnel	3
OP	1
Mortars	2
	<u>25</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	0
Ground OP	5
Unobserved	20*
	<u>25</u>

* Includes 16 harassing missions, 2 TOT missions on enemy occupied towns, and 2 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 17 Med Bgt fired on enemy OP at 564-263. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (2) 17 Med Bgt fired on enemy occupied house at 544-237. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 1 direct hit on house.
- (3) 5 harassing missions fired on road net during day because of poor visibility.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 271800A Mar to
281800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 87

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No Change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
271800A - 280600A:	Coastal	Serchio				
Lt	7	0	0	0	10	17
Med	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	3	0	0	20	24	47
	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>64</u>

	92 Div		365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
280600A - 281800A:	Coastal	Serchio				
Lt	113	No	0	11	24	148
Med	12	R	0	0	8	20
Hvy	0	e	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	p	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	o	0	5	51	56
	<u>125</u>	<u>r</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>224</u>
		<u>t</u>				
271800A - 281800A:	135		0	36	117	288

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic SERAVEZZA (U9796), RIPA (U9695), PIETRASANTA (U9792),
QUEHCETA (9594), BUON RIPOSO (U9694), & PONTE STRADE (9693).

Serchio: No report available.

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522) and M TERMINALE (L5521)

10 Mt Sector:

Vic MATTIALO (L6125), M GRANDE D'AIANO (L5826), PIETRA COLONA
(L5922), CHIRICHETTA (5823), and M DELLA SPE (L6126).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

"C" Co, 701 TD Bn relieved "B" Co, 701 TD Bn in position as of
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b. Targets -

Btry in Position	16
CP or OP	4
Harassing	17
MG and Mortars	2
Vehicles	1
Strong Points	2
Personnel	5
	<u>47</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	2
Ground OP	10
Unobserved	<u>35*</u>
	47

* Includes 10 night harassing and 7 day harassing missions, 14 unobserved CB missions, 1 TOT mission on CP, 1 mission on MG and 2 missions on strong points.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 7 harassing missions fired on road net during day because of poor visibility.
- (2) 9 enemy batteries were attacked during the night in support of heavy patrol activity by 10 Mt Div.
- (3) Due to bad weather Air OPs were able to operate only during last hours of daylight.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 291800A Mar to
301800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 89

1. ~~ENEMY~~ ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div						
	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
291800A - 300600A:							
Lt	178	0	0	59	34	271	
Med	6	0	0	12	16	34	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	4	0	0	25	17	46	
Total	188	0	0	96	67	351	
	92 Div						
	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
300600A - 301800A:							
Lt	63	0	0	105	117	285	
Med	0	0	0	10	11	21	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	63	0	0	63	
Unk	9	0	0	7	37	53	
Total	72	0	63	122	165	422	
291800A - 301800A:	260	0	63	218	232	773	

(3) Areas receiving shelling -

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic FORTE dei MARMI (U9292), QUERCETA (U9594), POZZI (9694), RIPA (9695).
Serchio: No shelling reported.

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006) and SERTIARE (L3906).

BEF Sector:

Vic ROCCA CORNETA (4917), VALPIANA (5118), MONTEFORTE (5522), BICOCCHI (5623).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic SASSMOLARE (5824), MADNA di BRASA (6024), CANOLLE (6124), M. DELLA CASTELLANA (6224) and MONTESINISTRO (6225).

(4) Damage:

BEF reports 3 men wounded.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Battery in Position	25
Harassing	18
Personnel	16
CP or OP	<u>1</u>
	60

c. Observation -

AOP	22*
GOP	15
Unobserved	<u>23**</u>
	60

* Two counterbattery shoots observed by Spitfire.

** Includes 18 night harassing missions, 3 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports and 2 TOTs on enemy personnel.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy battery XPP at 603-332. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy battery ZGP at 584-352. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (3) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy battery ASP at 591-345. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - 2 direct hits.
- (4) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy battery WBV at 552-259. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 3 direct hits.
- (5) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy battery VBV at 553-254. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 2 direct hits and fire started.
- (6) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy battery XGP at 597-326. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 2 direct hits and an explosion.
- (7) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied houses at 484-268 and 462-205. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 1 and 2 direct hits respectively.
- (8) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 684-286. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 8 direct hits on house.
- (9) 17 Med Regt fired on enemy battery YBP at 609-312. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 1 direct hit.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 301800A Mar to
311800A Mar 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 90

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

		92 Div					
301800A - 310600A:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
Lt	65	29	0	27	0	121	
Med	0	0	0	0	15	15	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>84</u>	
Total	76	29	0	53	62	220	

		92 Div					
310600A - 311800A:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
Lt	63	6	1	102	62	234	
Med	0	0	0	0	25	25	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>94</u>	
Total	63	6	1	117	166	353	

301800A - 311800A:	139	6	1	170	228	573
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(2) Areas receiving shelling -

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic PIETRASANTA (U9792) BARGHETTI (9294) and QUERCETA (U9494).

Serchio: Vic BARGA (L1804), GALLICANO (L1403), and PEDONA (L1900)

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic M TERMINALE (5621), M SERRASICCIA (L4615), ROCCA CORNETA (L4917), M CAPPET BUSO (L4716) and ABETATA (L5718).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CANEVACCIA (L5823), CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), M NUVOLETTI (L5926), M GRANDE D'AIANO (L5826), and CASA LAMA (L5623).

(3) Damage:

10 Mt Div reports 1 killed and 1 wounded.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Battery in Position	17
Harassing	8
Personnel	7
Strong Point	1
CP and OP	<u>1</u>
	34

c. Observation -

Air OP	6
Ground OP	6
Unobserved	<u>22*</u>
	34

* Includes 8 night harassing missions, 10 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports and 4 TOT's on enemy occupied towns.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy battery WOP at 518-263. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (2) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 452-198. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 2 direct hits on house.
- (3) 701 TD Bn "C" Co, fired on enemy occupied house. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 4 direct hits on house.
- (4) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy batteries WPP at 594-315 and YKP at 657-325. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 and 2 hits respectively.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S Army

Period: 311800A Mar to
011800A Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 91

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) No. of rounds reported:

	92 Div					
311800A - 010600A:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	70	21	2	27	110	230
Med	0	3	0	0	30	33
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	40	40
Unk	25	0	0	0	14	39
Total	95	24	2	27	194	342

	92 Div					
010600A - 011800A:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	56	63	0	54	165	238
Med	5	6	0	0	58	69
Hvy	0	0	0	0	1	1
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	7	0	0	0	237	244
Total	68	69	0	54	461*	552

311800A - 011800A: 163 93 2 81 655 894

* Note - Increased enemy shelling was noted during the afternoon in the vicinity of SASSOMALARE. Although the objective of this fire is not definitely known it is believed probable that that our motor traffic in forward areas with resulting dust clouds may have attracted the enemy's attention.

(2) Areas receiving shelling -

92 Div Sector:

Coastal - Vic QUERCETA (U9594); RIPA (U9695), C TONINI (U9294); M. CAVALLO (U9899), FIUMETTO (U9490).

Serchio - Vic GALLICANO (L1503), VISPEREGLIA (L10-00) SAN PIERO (L1604); CASTELVECCHIO (L1605).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522); FOSSI (L4616); and M CAPPEL BUSO (L4716).

10 Mt Div Sector:

Vic SASSOMALARE (L5824); PIANI di SOTTO (L5825); M DELLA SPE (L6126); M GRANDE d'AIANO (L5826); CASONE (L5925); and BIOCCHI (L5623).

(3) Damage:

10 Mt Div reports 15 tires destroyed, and several jeeps damaged.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

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b. Targets -

Btry in Position	30
CP or OP	3
Harassing	10
Personnel	11
MG & Mortars	1
Kitchen	<u>1</u>
	56

c. Observation -

Air OP	11*
Ground OP	9
Unobserved	<u>36**</u>
	56

* Includes one Spitfire mission.

** Includes 10 night harassing missions, 21 unobserved counter-battery missions in response to shelling reports and 5 TOT's on enemy occupied buildings and assembly areas.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 178 Med Regt fired 4 observed missions against enemy occupied houses. The following results were reported:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Observation</u>	<u>Results</u>
588-305	AOP	2 explosions, large fire.
631-283	AOP	Many direct hits.
576-285	AOP	4 direct hits.
618-294	Grd OP	6 direct hits.

- (2) 17 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 563-246. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 5 direct hits on house.
- (3) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 532-264. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 direct hits on house.
- (4) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy battery at 533-267. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (5) 701 TD Bn "C" Co, fired on enemy strong point at 599-290. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 4 direct hits on dugout.
- (6) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy occupied house at 610-280. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 4 direct hits on house.

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- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 1 - G-2, 1 Armd Div Arty
- 6 - GOC, 7 AGRA
- 10 - CC, 8 Survey Regt
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 1 - CC, 76 HAA Regt
- 1 - CC, 26 LAA Regt
- 1 - CC, 111 Fd Regt
- 1 - CO, 365 Inf (Reinforced)
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 92

Period: 011800A Apr to
021800B Apr 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

(1) Present enemy artillery strength opposing the BEF and 10 Mt Divisions between 40 and 70 Eastings is estimated as follows:

<u>Lt</u>	<u>Med</u>	<u>Hvy</u>	<u>HAA</u>	<u>SP's</u>	<u>Total</u>
90	13	2	10	14	129 guns

This total indicates an increase of 46 guns in the sector since 13 March (see S2, S-3 Report No 72, dated 12-13 March). The presence of the 334 Div with its supporting artillery is the chief factor affecting this estimate.

(2) Photo reconnaissance and all other sources of information continue to confirm that the bulk of enemy artillery is disposed along the principal roads in areas south of ZOCCA, and that lesser groups are located in the vicinity of TOLE and scattered along the PANARO RIVER VALLEY.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported -

		92 Div					
011800A - 020600B:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
Lt	49	12	0	24	55	140	
Med	0	0	0	0	5	5	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	3	0	0	7	28	38	
Total	52	12	0	31	88	183	

		92 Div					
020600B - 021800B:	Coastal	Serchio	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps	
Lt	0	5	9	0	5	19	
Med	0	0	0	0	33	33	
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unk	0	0	0	0	20	20	
Total	0	5	9	0	58	72	

011800A - 021800B:	52	17	9	31	146	255*
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* NOTE: Shelling for the period was extremely slight, with none reported in the Coastal and BEF sectors during daylight hours.

(2) Areas receiving shelling -

92 Div Sector:

Coastal: Vic QUERCETA (U9594), RIPA (U9695, PIETRASANTA (U9792).

Serchio: Vic SAN PIERO (L1604), CASTELVECCHIO (L1605).

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic M DELLA TORRACCIA (L5520), MONTEFORTE (L5522), M TERMINALE (L5621).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic M NUVOLETTI (L5926), M ACIDOLA (L5923), M DELLA CROCE (L6122), MONTESINISTRO (L6225), M BELVEDERE (L6524), CAMPO del SOLE (L5723).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	13
Harassing	12
Personnel	11
CP and OP	2
Vehicles	2
Enemy Strong Points	<u>1</u>
	41

c. Observation -

Air OP	6
Ground OP	13
Unobserved	<u>22*</u>
	41

* Includes 12 night harassing missions, and 10 unobserved counter-battery missions in response to shelling reports.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 701 TD Bn "C" Co fired on enemy occupied house at 550-343. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 3 direct hits on house.
- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy occupied house at 637-317. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 6 direct hits on house.
- (3) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy CP at 590-318. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 2 direct hits on CP.
- (4) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied house at 517-314. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 direct hits on house.
- (5) 17 Med Regt fired on enemy strong point at 539-267. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 3 direct hits on dugout.
- (6) 2 Med Regt fired on two enemy batteries WZP (530-256) and WWP (511-294). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 and 3 target hits respectively.

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1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
1 - G2, IV Corps
1 - G3, IV Corps
1 - Ea Div Arty
6 - GOC, 7 AGRA
6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
10 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
1 - 365 Inf (Reinf)
1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 021800B Apr to
031800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3, REPORT
NO. 93

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

021800B - 030600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	10	33	43
Med	0	0	25	25
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	26	16	42
Total	0	36	74	110

030600B - 031800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	9	35	49	93
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	9	94	103
Total	9	44	143	196

021800B - 031800B:	9	80	217	306
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(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

Vic SESTIONE (L3906)

BEF Sector:

Vic M TERMINALE (L5621); M TORRACCIA (L5520) and TUFFI (L5622).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CASE LAMA (L5623); SASSUOLARE (L5824); CHIRICHETTA (L5823); CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025); M NUVOLETI (L5926); and M DELLA CASTELLANA (L6224).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

(1) C Co, 894 TD Bn relieved C Co, 701 TD Bn in position at 031600B.

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b. Targets -

Battery in Position	15
Harassing	10
Personnel	7
MG & Mortars	1
Armo dump	1
	<u>34</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	11
Ground OP	9
Unobserved	<u>14*</u>
	34

* Includes 10 night missions, 3 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports and 1 TOT on ammunition dump.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 17 Med Regt fired on enemy battery VOP (512-284). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 target hits.
- (2) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy battery WTP (608-280). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 target hit and 5 rounds within 15 yards of gun pits.
- (3) C Co, 701 TD Bn fired on personnel in dug-out at 607-289. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 2 target hits on dug-out.

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- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G2, IV Corps
- 1 - G3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - 7 AGRA
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 10 - 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - CO, 365 Inf (Reinf)
- 1 - 76 HAA Regt
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 031800B Apr to
041800B Apr 45

S-3, S-3, REPORT
NO. 94

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement-

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity-

(1) Number of rounds reported:

031800B - 040600B	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	37	6	43
Med	0	10	2	12
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	107	60	167
Total	0	154	68	222
040600 - 041800	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	17	52	66	135
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	43	43
Total	17	52	109	178
031800B - 041800B	17	206	177	400

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L40-06)

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L55-22); M BELVEDERE (L52-17); TUFI (L56-22);
FOSSI (L46-16); PIANELLO (L53-18) and M TORRACCIA (L55-20)

10 Mt Sector:

Vic SASSOMOLARE (L58-24); CHIRICHETTA (L58-23); PIANI di SOTTO
(58-25); M NUVOLETI (L59-26); CASTEL D' AIANO (L60-25) and
M GRANDE d' AIANO (L58-26)

(3) Damage: None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change

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b. Targets -

Battery in Position	30
Harassing	13
Personnel	14
Vehicles and tanks	3
Ammo Dump	1
CP or OP	2
Total	<u>63</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	19*
Ground	10
Unobserved	<u>34**</u>
Total	<u>63</u>

* Includes one adjustment by Spitfire.

** Includes 13 night harassing, 19 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports, 1 mission on ammunition dump and 1 TOT on enemy CP.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy batteries XXP at 693-294 and SWP at 675-315. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 and 3 target hits respectively.
- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy batteries XPP at 624-302 and XEP at 617-327. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 2 and 1 target hits respectively.
- (3) 8" Howitzer, 633 FA Bn fired on enemy battery XHP at 639-366. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 target hits.
- (4) 894 TD Bn "C" Co, fired on enemy strong point at 609-291. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 5 direct hits on dugout.

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- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - 7 AGRA
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 10 - 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - CO, 365 Inf (Reinf)
- 1 - 76 HAA Regt
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 041800B Apr to
051800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 95

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

041800B - 050600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	34	4	38
Med	0	0	9	9
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	18	58	76
Total	0	52	71	123

050600B - 051800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	11	26	37
Med	0	0	23	23
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	6	19	25
Total	0	17	68	85

041800B - 051800B:	0	69	139	208
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(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic M CAPPEL BUSO (L4716); M SERRASICCIA (L4615); CASONE (L5722); and MEICHIORRA (L5421).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CAMPO DEL SOLE (L5723); CHIRICHELLIA (L5823); M ACIDOLA (L5923); MATALINO (L5824); and M SPICCHIONE (L6225).

(3) Damage: None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	26
Harassing	10
Personnel	12
MG or Mortars	1
CP or OP	1
Tanks or SP's	1
	51

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c. Observation -

Air OP	21
Ground OP	14
Unobserved	<u>16*</u>
	51

* Includes 10 night harassing and 6 counterbatter missions in response to shelling reports.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy batteries WZP (542-260) and XWP (551-323). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 4 rounds close to pit and 2 hits respectively.
- (2) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy gun at 620-316. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - gun knocked out.
- (3) 178 Med Regt fired on hostile battery ZBP (655-323). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 5 hits.
- (4) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy tanks at 620-322. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 hit and area well covered.
- (5) 633 FA Bn fired an unobserved concentration on an enemy gun located by sound. Results - rounds on target (by sound) and ground observer reported fires burning for some time afterwards.

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- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - 7 AGRA
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 10 - 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - CO, 365 Inf (Reinf)
- 1 - File
- 4 - VLP

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 051800B Apr to
061800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3, REPORT
No. 96

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

There has been no substantial change in dispositions but local changes indicate the enemy is making extensive use of alternate positions.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

051800 - 060600	365 Inf.	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	12	21	33
Med	0	4	32	36
Hvy	0	10	0	10
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	8	54	62
Total	0	34	107	141
060600 - 061800	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	68	68	136
Med	0	0	23	23
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	4	34	38
Total	0	72	125	197
051800 - 061800	0	106	232	338

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic M DELLA TORRACCIA (L5520), MONTEFORTE (L5522), MASERNO (L5522), and CAPPLA di RONCHIDOS (L5418).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic SASSOMOLARE (L5824), PIANI di SOTTO (L5825), CHIRICHETTA (L5823), M ACIDOLA (L5923), M DELLA CASTELLANA (L6224), and GUALANDI (L5925).

(3) Damage:

BEF reports one wounded.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 051800B Apr to
061800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3, REPORT
No. 96

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

There has been no substantial change in dispositions but local changes indicate the enemy is making extensive use of alternate positions.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

051800 - 060600	365 Inf.	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	12	21	33
Med	0	4	32	36
Hvy	0	10	0	10
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	8	54	62
Total	0	34	107	141

060600 - 061800	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	68	68	136
Med	0	0	23	23
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	4	34	38
Total	0	72	125	197

051800 - 061800	0	106	232	338

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic M DELLA TORRACCIA (L5520), MONTEFORTE (L5522), MASERNO (L5522), and CAPPLA di RONCHIDOS (L5418).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic SASSOMOLARE (L5824), PIANI di SOTTO (L5825), CHIRICHETTA (L5823), M ACIDOLA (L5923), M DELLA CASTELLANA (L6224), and GUALANDI (L5925).

(3) Damage:

BEF reports one wounded.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 061800B to
071800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 97

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

During the last ten days enemy artillery disposition as evidenced through photo reconnaissance indicates that guns formerly located NW of MONTESE 5524 have displaced to safer positions W of the PANARO RIVER. Demolition of the bridge at L537-294 tends to confirm this conclusion. Otherwise, disposition of enemy artillery remains as given in S-2, S-3 report No 92.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

061800B - 070600B	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	8	9	32	49
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	11	0	11
Total	8	20	32	60
070600B - 071800B	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	49	48	97
Med	0	0	10	10
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	15	84	99
Total	0	64	142	206
061800 - 071800	8	84	174	266

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006)

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), TUFI (5622)

10 Mt Sector:

Vic M DELLA CASTELLANA (L6324), SASSOMOLARE (L5824), SCANELLO (L5823), M DELLA SPE (L6126) and CASTEL d' AIANO (L6025)

(3) Damage:

BEF. 1 casualty.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	12
CP or OP	4
Harassing	11
Personnel	3
Tanks or SP	1
	<u>31</u>

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c. Observation -

Air OP	2
Ground OP	8
Unobserved	<u>21*</u>
	31

* Includes 11 night harassing missions, 9 counterbattery missions fired in response to shelling reports and 1 TOT on military activity.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy tank at 623-275. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 1 direct hit on tank.
- (2) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy OP at 641-283. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (3) Rain and poor visibility hindered observation and Air OP operations throughout the day.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
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- 3 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - GOC, 7 ACHIA
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- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 071800B Apr to
081800B Apr45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 98

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

071800B - 080600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	9	23	32
Med	0	0	7	7
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	3	18	21
Total	0	12	48	60

080600B - 081800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	54	36	90
Med	0	6	12	18
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	7	125	132
Total	0	67	173	240

071800B - 081800B:	0	79	221	300
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(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), and MELCHIORRA (L5421).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic SASSOMOLARE (L5824), M GRANDE D'AIANO (L5826), M SPECCHIONE (L6225), MADNA DI BRASA (L6024) and M ACIDOLA (L5923).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

C Co 701 TD Bn relieved C Co 894 TD Bn in position at end of period.

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b. Targets -

Btry in Position	19
CP or OP	1
Harassing	11
Personnel	11
Vehicles	2
Ammunition Dump	2
Preparations	21
	<u>67</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	1
Ground OP	17
Unobserved	49*
	<u>67</u>

* Includes 11 night harassing missions, 5 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports, and an artillery program consisting of 21 preparations and 12 counterbattery missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) C Co, 894 TD Bn fired on enemy activity and ammunition dump at 596-287. Adjustment by ground OP. Result - 1 explosion and fire started.
- (2) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy gun at 664-279. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 1 direct hit, gun believed destroyed.
- (3) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy battery VNP (5030). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 6 hits in pits.

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DISTRIBUTION:

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- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 1 - CO, 365 Inf (Rein^d)
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 10 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U. S. Army

PERIOD: 091800 B Apr to
101800 B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
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1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Good photo cover of 9 April disclosed one new single gun position confirming an old sound location southeast of MONTETOTORE (6329). 13 positions between the 43 and 70 Easting containing a total of 19 light guns became unoccupied or suspect unoccupied. 6 additional positions E of 70 Easting, capable of firing on IV Corps contained a total of 8-10 light guns and 8 HAA guns were also reported unoccupied or suspect unoccupied. Half of the positions vacated were well forward and probably represent a withdrawal to better defensive positions. 2 of the positions were principally in the area between CASTEL D' AIANO (6025) and ZOCCA (6033) and in region N of VERGATO (6925). As a result of heavy calibre shelling vic IV Corps Artv Hq (L5712) at 0600B sound picked up an estimated 170mm battery North of CHIAGNANA (L5036).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

091800B - 100600B	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	76	6	82
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	15	0	15
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	30	18	48
Total	0	121	24	145
100600B - 101800B	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	11	0	0	11
Med	6	0	0	6
Hvy	0	18	0	18
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	6	30	36
Total	17	24	30	71
091800B - 101800B	17	145	54	216

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

Vic PONTE di SESTIONE (L3906)

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), M TERMINALE (L5621); TUFFI (L5622), Vic LIZZANO (L5112) Confirmed Heavy caliber, Vic (L5712) confirmed Heavy caliber.

10 Mt Sector:

Vic COMPO DEL SOLE (L5723), M DELLA SPE (L6126), M ACIDOLA (L5923), CASTEL d' AIA NO (6025), SERRA di GATTO (L6224).

Vic IV Corps Arty Hq and AOP Strip (L5712), confirmed heavy calibre.

(3) Damage:

BEF. 2 men wounded.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and movement -

Unit	Opened new area	Coordinates	CL
910 FA Bn CP	090320 B	637-212	---
A	"	637-210	6290
B	"	636-217	6300
C	"	638-217	6290
328 FA Bn CP	09235 B	647-229	---
A	"	642-229	210
B	"	641-228	210
C	"	641-232	210
403 FA Bn CP	100210B	---	---
A	"	615-214	390
B	"	623-214	80
C	"	623-212	130
Hq. 7 AGRA	101200 B	631-203	---

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	31
Harassing	11
Personnel	6
Vehicles	2
Camouflaged object	1
Preparation	20
	<u>71</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	13
Ground OP	6
Unobserved	52*
	<u>71</u>

*Includes 11 night harassing, 20 unobserved preparation fires, 12 counter battery targets on deceptive fire plan and 9 counter battery missions fired in response to shell rps.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 178 Med Bpt fired on enemy gun at 564-431, adjustment by Air OP. Results- 2 direct hits, 3 near misses.
- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on enemy battery VCP (638-312). Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 3 hits on gun position 2 on nearby house
- (3) 633 FA Bn fired on camouflaged object at 602-293. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 6 hits and a fire started.

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DISTRIBUTION:

2 - Arty O, Fifth Army	6 - GOC, 7 AGRA
2 - CG, IV Corps	6- CO, 424 FA Gp
2 - CG, IV Corps Arty	6 - CG, 85 Div Arty
1 - G2, IV Corps	10 - 8 Survey Bpt
1 - G3, IV Corps	1 - 3/5 Inf (Reinf)
1 - EA Div Arty	1 - file

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S Army

Period: 101800B Apr to
111800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 101

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No Change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

101800B - 110600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	6	31	0	37
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	22	165	187
Total	6	53	165	224

110600B - 111800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
Lt	0	8	0	8
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	0	0
Total	0	8	0	8

101800B - 111800B	6	61	165	232
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(2) Areas receiving shelling -

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006)

BEF Sector:

Vic M. BELVEDERE (L5217), MALANDRONE (L5719), MONTEFORTE (L5522),
PIZZO di COMPIANO (L4817).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic la COSTA (L6423), MADNA di BRASA (L6024), M della CASTELLANA
(L6224), PIETRA COLORA (L5922), CHERECHELLA (L5823).

(3) Damage -

None Reported.

2. COMPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

C Co, 701 TD Bn relieved operational control of 424 FA Gp 110700B.

Correction to Station List, 11 April 1945:

633 FA Bn "A" Btry - Center Line 300 m - L669-218.

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a. Disposition and Movement (Cont) -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Opened New Area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u>
Hq 2 Med Regt	102300B	593-220	-
4/7 Btry A Tp	"	572-223	-
B Tp	"	572-221	-
766 FA Bn	110200B	661-209	-
A	"	663-210	100
B	"	662-208	100
C		662-206	100
85 Div Arty CP	110945B	623-230	-

b. Targets -

Btry In Position	29
Harassing	8
Personnel	8
Vehicles	3
GP & OP's	1
Strong Point	1
Preparation	<u>11</u>
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c. Observation -

Air OP	10
Ground OP	14
Unobserved	<u>37*</u>
	61

* Includes 8 night harassing targets, 11 preparation targets, 14 counterbattery and 4 counterbattery missions fired in response to shellreps.

d. Miscellaneous:

- (1) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy gun and ammo dump at 654-299. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 4 hits.
- (2) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy battery YJP. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 2 hits.
- (3) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy occupied houses and MT at 6600-3100. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 10 hits on buildings, 2 hits on vehicles.

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- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-2 and G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - GOC, 7 AGRA
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 6 - CG, 85 Div Arty (Gp)
- 10 - CC, 8 Survey Regt.
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 111800B April to
121800B April 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT :
NO. 102

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	IV Corps
111800 - 120600B:				
Lt	4	5	11	20
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	14	14
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	0	179	179
Total	4	5	204	213
120600 - 121800B:				
Lt	9	47	36	92
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	67	45	112
Total	9	114	81	204
111800 - 121800B	13	119	285	417

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), M BELVEDERE (L5217), & CORONA (L5117).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), SERRA DI GATTO (L6224), PIETRA
COLORA (L5922), M DELLA VEDETTA (L5822), & SASSOMOLARE (L5824).

(3) Damage:

None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

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b. Targets -

Bty in Position	19
CP or OP	1
Harassing	24
Personnel	18
MG and Mortars	5
Vehicles	2
Strong Points	2
Tks and SP's	1
Preparation	10
	<u>82</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	5
Ground OP	27
Unobserved	50*
	<u>82</u>

* Includes 24 night harassing missions, 10 preparation targets, 16 counterbattery missions of which 12 were in response to shelling reports and 4 were on preparation program.

d. Miscellaneous:

- (1) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy battery WWP. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 2 target hits and all rounds in target area.

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2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
2 - CG, IV Corps
1 CG, IV Corps Arty
1 - G2, IV Corps
1 - G3, IV Corps
1 - Ea Div Arty
6 - GOC, 7 ACRA
6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
6 - CG, 85 Div Arty (Gp)
10 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S Army

Period: 121800B Apr to
131800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 103

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Photo Intelligence during the past week indicates a considerable loss in known hostile battery locations. This fact together with evidence that the enemy is alert to the possibility of an attack in this sector leads to the deduction that many of his batteries have been moved to new or alternate positions and kept silent. The slackening in artillery fire indicated in par b. tends to confirm this opinion. Unfortunately, very few of these new locations have been identified to date by PI, and photo coverage on 13 April was not obtained because of adverse weather conditions. The possibility that guns have been withdrawn from this front has been considered but rejected as highly improbable in view of other information to the contrary.

b. Artillery Activity -

(1) No. rounds reported:

121800-130600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	0	16	5	0	21
Med	0	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	1	0	0	1
Mix	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	37	34	0	71
Total	0	54	39	0	93

130600-131800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	0	55	12	0	67
Med	0	9	0	0	9
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	2	21	0	30
Total	0	73	33	0	106

121800B-131800B:	0	127	72	0	199
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(2) Areas receiving shelling -

365 Inf Sector:
No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:
Vic MONTEFORTE (L55-22), M BELVEDERE (L52-17), M CAPPEL BUSO (L4716), ROCCA CORNETA (L49-17) and M SERRASICCIA (L4615).

10 Mt Sector:
Vic SASSOMOLARE (L5824), CHIRICELLA (L58-23), and PIETRA COLORA (L59-22).

(3) Damage -

None reported.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No change.

b. Targets -

Battery in Position	8
Harassing	23
Personnel	18
Vehicles	6
Strong Points	3
Dumps	1
CP or OP	3
Preparation	5
	<u>67</u>

c. Observation -

AOP	11
Ground OP	24
Unobserved	32*
	<u>67</u>

* Includes 23 night harassing missions, 3 enemy batteries, 5 preparations and 1 personnel mission.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 910 FA Bn fired on enemy occupied house at 597-281. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - house destroyed by four direct hits.
- (2) 2 Med Regt fired on enemy vehicles at 513-323. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 1 direct hit.

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- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - CG, 85 Div Arty (Gp)
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 6 - GOC, 7 AGRA
- 10 - CC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - CC, 111 Fd Regt
- 1 - CC, 76 HAA Regt
- 1 - CC, 26 LAA Regt
- 1 - CO, 365 Inf

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 131800B Apr to
141800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 104

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Little movement of enemy artillery was observed throughout the day. However, because of our heavy counterbattery fires during the period, it is anticipated that some batteries will change position under cover of darkness.

b. Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

131800B - 140600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	0	10	26	0	36
Med	0	0	12	0	12
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	15	106	0	121
Total	0	25	144	0	169
140600B - 141800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	0	78	48	39	165
Med	0	6	1	11	18
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	80	132	2	214
Total	0	164	181	52	397
131800B - 141800B:	0	189	325	52	566 *

* Note - Despite our attack hostile shelling remained slight throughout the day. Artillery fire was largely directed against our observation area, and very little was reported on forward elements. It is believed that this is the result of our superior air observation and that artillery activity will increase with nightfall.

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), CASONE (L5624), CASA LAMA (L5623), POSSESSIONE (L5724), CAMPO DEL SOLE (L5723).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic M DELLA SPE (L6126), MADNA DI BRASSA (L6024), M ACIDOLA (L5923), M SPICCHIONE (L6225), PIANI DI SOTTO (L5825), CASTEL D'AIANO (L6125), SASSOMOLARE (L5824), Hill 903 (L6127).

1 Arm'd Div Sector:

Vic TORRICELLI (L6623), C ROVINELLI (L6723), CASELLINA (L6823).

(3) Damage: Number of casualties unknown.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

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a. Disposition and Movement -

Unit	Opened new area	Coordinates	CL
A Btry 633 FA Bn	0200B	66842-21963	300 #
C Btry 766 FA Bn	-	-	500 #
C Tp 17 Med Regt	0300B	576-196	6211 #
D Tp 17 Med Regt	0300B	575-195	6211 #
C Tp 2 Med Regt	0210B	594-229	5600 #
D Tp 2 Med Regt	0210B	594-222	5600 #
C Tp 178 Med Regt	0130B	583-229	0520 #

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	47
Harassing	25
Personnel	9
Vehicles	1
Strong Points	6
Dumps	1
CP or OP	0
Preparation	38
Defensive Fires	16
	<u>143</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	22*
Ground OP	45
Unobserved	76**
	<u>143</u>

* Includes 5 spitfire missions.

** Includes 25 night harassing missions, 38 preparation fires and 23 counterbattery missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) The 633 FA Bn fired on enemy battery ZWP. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - 20 hits and rounds in target area.
- (2) The 633 FA Bn 8" H fired on enemy battery ZLP. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 direct hit on each of 3 pits and 5 rounds within 15 yards.
- (3) The 403 FA Bn fired on enemy gun at 611278. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - Hits in target area.

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- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G2, IV Corps
- 1 - G3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - CG, 85 Div Arty (Gp)
- 6 - GOC, 7 ACRA
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 10 - CC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - CC, 111 Fd Regt
- 1 - CO, 365 Inf
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S Army

Period: 141800B Apr to
151800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 105

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

During the period of our attack the enemy has moved some of his guns to conform to the changing tactical situation. PW's today stated that artillery had been observed moving north through TOLE; this was to be expected in view of our advance in that area. Unfortunately, the lack of good photo coverage has not helped in the search for new positions. Similarly, ground haze has restricted the visibility of both air and ground OP's. The general disposition of artillery West of the PANARO River and in the vicinity of ZOCCA remains unchanged.

b. Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

141800B - 150600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	0	263	136	15	414
Med	0	7	12	56	75
Hvy	0	*33	14	0	47
Mix	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	188	173	85	446
Total	0	491	335	156	982

150600B - 151800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	0	510	95	137	642
Med	0	47	27	10	84
Hvy	0	1	1	5	7
Mix	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	807	139	18	964
Total	0	1365	262	170	1797

141800B - 151800B:	0	1856	597	326	2779 **
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* Unconfirmed.

** NOTE - Enemy artillery was very active throughout the period with most of the shelling coming from batteries west of the PANARO. Areas receiving major attention were vic MONTESE, Hill 913, and VERGATO.

(2) Areas receiving shelling -

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTEFORTE (L5522), MONTESE (L5524), CASONE (L5624), MONTAURIGOLA (L5623), SERRETTO (L5524), PARAVENTO (L5624), CANELLO (L5625), CASA LAMA (L5623).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic M. della VEDETTA (L5822), CHIRICELLA (L5823), SASSOMOLARE (L5824), PIANI di SOTTO (L5825), CASTEL d'AIANO (L6025), MATTIOLO (L6125), M della SPE (L6126), MIRANO (L6319), Hill 913 (L6027).

1 Arm'd Div Sector:

Vic VERGATO (L6925), SERRA di GATTO (L6824), RIOLA (L6419), M. VALBURA (L6424), M. BELVEDERE (L6524), M. FINOCCHIO (L6525).

(3) Damage -

10 Mt - 7 casualties reported.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Opened new area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u>
C Btry, 403 FA Bn	Moving at end of period	641-261	(approx)
178 Med Regt CP	" " " " "	614-268	
A Troop	" " " " "	619-269	711 1
B Troop	" " " " "	617-269	711 1

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	160
CP or OP	4
Harassing	48
Personnel	12
Vehicles	5
MG & Mortar	28
Strong Points	10
Ammo Dump	1
Preparation	80
	<u>348</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	17*
Ground OP	33
Unobserved	298**
	<u>348</u>

* Includes 3 Spitfire missions.

** Includes 48 night harassing missions, 12 TOT missions on military activity, 80 preparation fires, 21 counterbattery missions in support of attack, 127 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports, 10 counter-mortar missions requested by 1st Arm'd Div Arty.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy guns at 612-323. Adjustment by air OP. Results - 1 hit and fire started.
- (2) 633 FA Bn attacked 2 enemy guns at 643-315. Adjustment by air OP. Results - 2 small fires started and a burst of flame.
- (3) 633 FA Bn fired on 3 enemy guns at 635-302. Adjustment by air OP. Results - initial rounds on target, fire started.
- (4) 633 FA Bn fired on 4 guns at 689-328. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - several direct hits, one gun knocked out of pit.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 CG, IV Corps
- 1 CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 G-2, G-3 IV Corps
- 1 Ea Div Arty & FA Gp
- 1 Ea Corps Arty Bn
- 10 CC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 151800B Apr to
161800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 106

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

During the afternoon as our infantry rapidly advanced, AOP's and ARTY/R planes identified considerable movement of MT and some artillery NE of TOLE. A study of the routes of withdrawal used and the existing terrain indicates that the next general area in which those guns that were fortunate enough to escape our shelling and bombing will probably be located lies along the 38 northing between 65 and 74 eastings, and with positions in close proximity to the main roads. The disposition of other artillery in the sector has not been materially affected by our attack and is believed to be unchanged.

b. Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

151800B - 160600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	0	96	56	38	190
Med	0	90	1	0	91
Hvy	0	9	47	19	75
Unk	0	189	29	4	222
Total	0	384	133	61	578

160600B - 161800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	20	415	49	2	486
Med	0	19	12	0	31
Hvy	0	0	12	0	12
Unk	0	260	104	18	382
Total	20	694	177	20	911

151800B - 161800B:	20	1078	310	81	1489
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(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic MONTESE (L5524), CASONE (L5624), LA TORRE (L5624), SASSOMOLARE (L5824), MONTEFORTE (L5522), CASA LAMA (L5623), and SASSO DE BALDINO (L5725).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic MARANO (L6319), S LUCIA (L6328), ROFFENO (L6326), BEDETOIA (L6429), CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025), and M DELLA SPE (L6126).

1 Arm'd Div Sector:

Vic PRADELLINO (L6526), SUZZANO (L6628), and LA COSTA (L6423).

(3) Damage: None reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

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a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Opened new area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u> (approx)
A Btry, 403 FA Bn	1630B	633-265	400
B Btry, 403 FA Bn	1630B	637-263	600
A Btry, 328 FA Bn	Moving at end of period	664-278	600
B Btry, 328 FA Bn	Moving at end of period	663-282	600
328 FA Bn CP	Moving at end of period	659-284	
178 RHQ	1800B	590-324	

b. Targets -

Btry in position	75
Harassing	59
Personnel	12
Motors & MG	6
Preparation	21
Strong Points	2
Vehicles & Tanks	17
	<u>192</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	27*
Ground OP	20
Unobserved	<u>145**</u>
	192

* Includes 3 Spitfire missions.

** Includes 42 night harassing missions, 30 preparation fires, 15 counter-battery missions in support of attack, 54 counterbattery missions in response to shelling reports, 4 counter-mortar missions requested by 10 Mt Div.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 910 FA Bn fired on enemy dugout at 615300. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 6 direct hits on dugout.
- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on two enemy guns at 692344 and 697344. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - Rounds in target area.
- (3) 8" How 633 FA Bn fired on enemy occupied house at 602342. Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - 1 target hit and 2 rounds within 10 yards of house.
- (4) 403 FA Bn fired on enemy tanks at 666333. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 tank knocked out.

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- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - G2, IV Corps
- 1 - G3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty & FA Gp
- 1 - Ea Corps Arty Bn
- 10 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 107

Period: 161800B Apr 45
171800B Apr 45

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

The movement of enemy artillery to the north in front of our advancing troops continued throughout the day. In all cases noted, this artillery has been horse drawn and forced to move under the alert observation of our AOP's, ARTY/R planes, and "ROVER PETE". As a result their movement was subjected to both bombing and artillery fire. It is therefore believed that considerable damage has been inflicted on hostile guns during the past two days on the eastern flank of the corps sector. Other artillery areas remain generally unchanged, with gun groups located in the vicinity of GAIATO (4827), POLECCHIA (5130), VERICA (5330), RANOCCHIO (5326), ZOCCA (6033), and BERTOCCHI (5528). New position areas will undoubtedly become apparent in the SAMOGGIA VALLEY, areas E thereof, and generally N of 40 northing.

b. Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

161800B - 170600B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	6	184	59	1	250
Med	0	42	10	0	52
Hvy	0	0	16	7	23
Unk	0	150	43	35	228
Total	6	376	128	43	553
170600B - 171800B:	365 Inf	BEF	10 Mt	1 AD	IV Corps
Lt	53	446	120	6	625
Med	0	40	42	15	97
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	46	101	8	155
Total	53	532	263	29	877
161800B - 171800B:	59	908	391	72	1430

(2) Areas receiving shelling:

365 Inf Sector:

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006).

BEF Sector:

Vic SERRETTO (L5624), PARANENTO (L5624), CASONE (L5624), MONTESE (L5524), SASSUOLARE (L5824), MONTEFORTE (L5522), CASA LAMA (L5623).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic MORANO (L6219), M GRANDE D'AIANO (L6125), BALDINO (L5825), SEGALARA (L6329), M PIGNA (L6328), CASTEL D'AIANO (L6025).

1 Arm'd Div Sector:

Hwy between RIOLA (L6421) and MARANO (L6219), SOPRASASSO (L6421), PRODOLA (L6527).

(3) Damage:

BEF - 1 tank destroyed.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Opened new area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u>
424 FA Gp	1230B	662-245	-
CP, 766 FA Bn	0500B	692-256	-
A Btry, 766 FA Bn	0800B	685-259	500 #
B Btry, 766 FA Bn	0800B	683-258	6400 #
C Btry, 766 FA Bn	0800B	685-257	6400 #
CP, 633 FA Bn	2330B	682-252	-
E Btry, 633 FA Bn	0200B	684-256	6200 #
8" H	0200	682-256	6100 #
CP, 178 Med Regt	-	613-251	-
C Tp, 178 Med Regt	-	624-268	178 #
D Tp, 178 Med Regt	-	622-269	178 #

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	78
Vehicles	16
Personnel	18
MG's & Mortars	4
Preparation	25
Harassing	19
CP or OP	1
	<u>161</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	42*
Ground OP	30
Unobserved	<u>39</u>
	161

* Includes 6 Spitfire shoots.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 2 Med Regt fired on active enemy guns at 528310. Adjustment by air OP. Results - 4 large explosions and many fires.
- (2) 178 Med Regt fired on enemy battery ZWP (6737). Adjustment by Spitfire. Results - 1 direct hit.
- (3) Rover Pete dive bombed an active enemy gun at 634364. Pilot reports two bombs scored direct hits on the gun.
- (4) 403 FA Bn fired on an active enemy gun at 697363. Adjustment by ground OP. Results - 4 hits, piece believed knocked out.

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- 1 - Ea Div Arty
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- 10 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - file

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 171800B Apr to
181800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 108

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement-

Enemy artillery continued to withdraw before our advance in the east sector of the corps zone. Its disposition at the close of the period was undetermined. Some movement was observed in the ZOCCA group. No change was noted in gun areas West of the PANARO Valley.

b. Artillery Activity-

(1) Number of rounds reported:

171800B - 180600B:	365 Inf	BEF	1 AD	10 Mt	85 Div	IV Corps
Lt	0	117	0	4	0	121
Med	0	5	0	12	0	17
Hvy	0	8	0	0	0	8
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	95	9	80	0	184
Total	0	225	9	96	0	330

180600B - 181800B:	365 Inf	BEF	1 AD	10 Mt	85 Div	IV Corps
Lt	0	266	0	63	8	337
Med	0	0	0	10	0	10
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	139	0	74	0	213
Total	0	405	0	147	8	560

171800B - 181800B:	0	630	9	243	8	890
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(2) Areas receiving shelling -

365 Inf Sector:

No shelling reported.

BEF Sector:

Vic CASONE (L5624); CAMPO DEL SOLE (L5723), SASSOMOLARE (L5824); MONTESE (L5524); and SASSO DE BALDINO (L5725).

1 AD Sector:

Vic PRODOLA (L6527) and SEGALARA (L6329).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic M. SPICCHIONE (L6225), M. DELLA SPE (L6126), M. MOSCOSO (L69-35); and TOLE (L6530).

85 Div Sector:

VERGATO (L6925).

NOTE: Incomplete shelling reports from 1 AD and 85 Div due to difficult communication.

(3) Damage -

Number of casualties or damage unknown.

S E C R E T

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

- (1) 85 Div Arty reverted to parent unit 172400B.
- (2) Movements completed as indicated:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Opened New Area</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u>
C Btry, 633 FA Bn	2335B	679-257	300 <i>ph</i>
A Btry, 766 FA Bn	1610B	725-280	400 <i>ph</i>
A Btry, 633 FA Bn	Moving at end of period	699-268	300 <i>ph</i>
Hq 7 AGRA	1600B	591-234	-
C Tp, 17 Med Regt	-	583-229	120 <i>ph</i>
D Tp, 17 Med Regt	-	578-224	120 <i>ph</i>

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	42
Other Targets	<u>54</u>
	96

c. Observation -

Air OP	21
Ground OP	20
Unobserved	<u>55</u>
	96

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) Corps Arty fired a CB program of 17 enemy batteries in the ZOCCA (6033) area. The positions were heavily harassed for 3 hours during which time enemy shelling was reduced to a minimum.
- (2) 633 FA Bn adjusted on 3 vehicles. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 vehicle hit.
- (3) 633 FA Bn fired on an active gun at 709-435.. Adjustment by Air OP. Results - 1 large explosion and 4 hits.

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1 Ea Corps Arty Bn
1 CC, 766 HAA Regt
1 CC, 26 LAA Regt
1 CC, 111 FG Regt
11 CC, 8 Survey Regt
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 181800B Apr to
191800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 109

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

No change in enemy artillery disposition opposite 1 Inf Div, BEF. On all other sectors advances by our infantry and tanks forced enemy artillery to displace. This displacement was covered by generous use of SP's. Exact areas cannot be accurately determined.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

(1) Number of rounds reported:

	371 Inf	BEF	1 AD	10 Mt	85 Div	IV Corps
181800B - 190600B:						
Lt	0	104	20	0	0	124
Med	0	8	0	0	0	8
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mix	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unk	0	86	0	0	0	86
Total	0	198	20	0	0	218

	371 Inf	BEF	1 AD	10 Mt	85 Div	IV Corps
190600B - 191800B:						
Lt						
Med						
Hvy						
Mix						
Unk						

No actual shellreps received.

(2) Areas shelled -

Advancing elements had only meager communications and submission of formal shellreps was impossible. From other intelligence sources the following general enemy artillery activity can be determined.

BEF Sector:

Vic SERRETTO (L5624); MONTESE (L5524); SASSOMOLARE (L5824).

1 AD Sector:

Vic S. TRINITA (L6732).

10 Mt Sector:

Vic TOLE (L6530).

85 Div Sector:

Forward elements received some shelling.

(3) Damage -

Unknown.

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2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

Location of Corps Arty units as follows:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>CL</u>
A Btry, 766 FA Bn	72-37	6400 m
B Btry, 766 FA Bn	72-37	500 m
C Btry, 766 FA Bn	72-37	6100 m
CP, 633 FA Bn	753-294	-
A Btry, 633 FA Bn	695-340	6400 m
B Btry, 633 FA Bn	758-305	6400 m
8" How, 633 FA Bn	752-306	100 m
C Btry, 633 FA Bn	754-295	6100 m
CP, 7 AGM	677-328	-
2 Med Regt	Moving to 75-41	-
178 Med Regt	Moving to 75-42	-

b. Targets * -

Btry in Position	14
Other targets	24
	38

* Report from 424 FA Gp Only.

c. Observation -

Air OP	16
Ground OP	0
Unobserved	22
	38

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) On two occasions enemy tanks and vehicles fired on by artillery were taken over by Rover Pete and bombed and strafed. At least 3 tanks were reported left burning.
- (2) This report is incomplete due to extended lines of communication.

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- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 1 - Ea FA Gp
- 1 - Ea Corps Arty Bn
- 10 - CC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - CC, 111 Fd Regt
- 1 - CC, 76 HAA Regt
- 1 - CC, 26 LAA Regt
- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 191800B Apr to
201800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 110

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

There has been a general withdrawal of enemy artillery, with SP's and tanks furnishing the major portion of the enemy artillery support.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

The fluid situation has resulted in only a few shelling reports being submitted, which, it is believed, do not reflect the shelling received. However, it is indicated that our troops are meeting only slight artillery fire, primarily of a harassing nature.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

Location of Corps Arty units as follows:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>CL</u>
CP 766 FA Bn	770-434	
A Btry, 766 FA Bn	767-439	6200 $\frac{1}{2}$
B Btry, 766 FA Bn	778-438	6400 $\frac{1}{2}$
C Btry, 766 FA Bn	771-441	100 $\frac{1}{2}$
A Btry, 633 FA Bn	693-336	6400 $\frac{1}{2}$
B Btry, 633 FA Bn	750-410	500 $\frac{1}{2}$
C Btry, 633 FA Bn	758-427	6300 $\frac{1}{2}$
8" How	761-420	6300 $\frac{1}{2}$
CP, 424 FA Gp	734-375	
CP, IV Corps Arty	698-301	

b. Targets -

Enemy Battery	8
Other targets	9
	<u>17</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	9
Unobserved	8
	<u>17</u>

d. Miscellaneous -

(1) 633 FA Bn fired on HD vehicles. Adjustment by AOP. Results - 3 direct hits and fires started.

(2) This report is incomplete due to extended lines of communication.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 201800B April to
211800B April 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 111

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

There has been a continued withdrawal to the north of enemy artillery to cover and furnish support for infantry elements.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

A scarcity of shelling reports due to extended and difficult communication does not permit a true report of enemy artillery activity during this period. Such information as was available indicates that enemy artillery activity was largely confined to scattered harassing fire from tanks and SP's to cover the withdrawal of infantry elements to the north.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>CL</u>
IV Corps Arty	756-418	
424 FA Group	762-491	
766 FA Bn CP	752-520	
A Btry	761-525	300 #
B Btry	758-524	6300 #
C Btry	753-519	6100 #
633 FA Bn CP	745-470	
A Btry	771-458	6400 #
B Btry	764-490	6050 #
C Btry	758-427	6300 #
8" How	766-492	6100 #
7 AGRA CP	743-538	
RHQ 178 Med Regt	677-742	
309 Btry, 178 Med Regt	671-750	5300
310 Btry, 178 Med Regt	678-750	6400
RHQ 2 Med Regt	735-596	
4/7 Btry, 2 Med Regt	7415-5933	6400
8/12 Btry, 2 Med Regt	7287-5130	5900

b. Targets -

Btry in position	4
Harassing	4
Vehicles and Tanks	7
Personnel	4
Mortars	1
	<u>20</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	15
Ground OP	1
Unobserved	4*
	<u>20</u>

* 4 harassing missions.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 766 FA Bn fired on enemy tanks and horse drawn artillery at 775-648. Adjustment by AOP. Results - direct hits on 5 tanks and one direct hit on a vehicle.

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- (2) 633 FA Bn fired on column of enemy vehicles at 760-680. Adjustment by ACP. Results - 70 vehicles destroyed, target area harassed after adjustment was completed.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 211800B Apr to
221800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 112

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Due to the rapidity of movement during the period no definite picture of enemy artillery disposition has been determined. No statistics are available at this time as to the number of batteries overrun, captured, or damaged; however, several instances of abandoned guns have already been reported, and it is believed probable that a considerable loss has been inflicted on this supporting arm of the German forces. Lack of adequate transport has seriously affected a successful withdrawal of artillery to the next defense line. Activity reported indicates that shelling of our troops has been confined largely to scattered light caliber harassing throughout the day.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and movement -

Unit	Coordinates	CL
IV Corps Arty CP	733-513	-
424 FA Gp CP	762-491	-
633 FA Bn CP	727-669	-
A Btry	726-681	5650 #
B Btry	723-674	6200 #
C Btry	729-671	250 #
8" How	726-673	300 #
766 FA Bn CP	683-742	-
A Btry	695-736	700 #
B Btry	691-737	6200 #
C Btry	687-737	5500 #
7 AGRA CP	679-739	-
2 Med Regt (1 Btry)	63-65	-
2 Med Regt (1 Btry)	74-59	-
17 Med Regt	68-74	-
178 Med Regt	68-74	-

b. Targets *

Btry in Position	1
Tanks	$\frac{1}{2}$

c. Observation -

Air OP	2
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* No report available from 7 AGRA.

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 633 FA Bn fired on two enemy tanks at 762845. Observation by Air OP. Results - 2 hits on house by which tanks were parked.
- (2) Air OP patrols were used extensively to locate our forward elements.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 221800B Apr to
231800B Apr 45.

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 113

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Enemy artillery activity continued slight throughout the period, divisions generally reporting scattered and ineffective fire in their sectors. The only reported incident of effective fire was fire delivered by 12 - 88mm guns emplaced in the vicinity of 5513 against the 10 Mt Div during the crossing of the PO RIVER. Evidence of heavy losses in artillery increased as our troops pressed the pursuit. For example an entire battery of two 170mm guns was captured intact during the night in the vicinity of MOGLIA (5698) by the 1125 Armd FA Bn when the former became involved in our own road traffic. Complete reports of enemy artillery activity, movement and disposition continued to be incomplete because of the rapid advance in all sectors.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Arc of fire</u>
IV Corps Arty CP	587-955	-
IV Corps Arty ACP	718-687	(Moving vic 5795 24 Apr)
Hq 7 AGRA	565-063	
Hq 2 Med Regt	575-043	
A Troop	576-049	360 degrees to 60 degrees
B Troop	575-045	360 degrees to 60 degrees
C Troop	574-054	300 degrees to 360 degrees
D Troop	576-054	300 degrees to 360 degrees
Hq 178 Med Regt	563-060	
A Troop	579-065	340 degrees to 40 degrees
B Troop	577-065	340 degrees to 40 degrees
C Troop	573-062	310 degrees to 10 degrees
D Troop	571-061	310 degrees to 10 degrees
Q Btry, 17 Med Regt		
C Troop	575-064	320 degrees to 20 degrees
D Troop	573-063	320 degrees to 20 degrees
424 FA Group	649-030	
633 FA Bn	643-068	<u>Center Line</u>
A Btry	642-072	6200
B Btry	659-065	200
C Btry	652-063	6400
8" How	659-065	200
766 FA Bn	637-088	
A Btry	642-078	200
B Btry	638-079	6400
C Btry	635-080	6200

b. Targets *

Enemy Batteries	11
Other Targets	<u>11</u>
	22

* All missions fired by 7 AGRA.

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c. Observation -

Air OP	1
Ground OP	5
Unobserved	<u>16</u>
	22

d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 7 AGRA, acting in direct support role, supported 10 Mt while establishing a bridgehead across the PO RIVER. Fire plans to support attack included fire on enemy concentrations, defenses, and enemy batteries. Seven forward observers were used.
- (2) 7 AGRA attacked enemy 88mm guns throughout the day. A total of 10 guns were fired on. Adjustments were made by ground observers.
- (3) All corps artillery units displaced two times during the period.

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- 1 - G-2, IV Corps
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 6 - GOC, 7 AGRA
- 6 - CO, 424 FA Gp
- 10 - CC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV COMPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 231800B Apr to
241800B Apr 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
No. 114

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

The enemy artillery situation remained unchanged. Only two hostile battery positions were identified by photo intelligence, and these were soon overrun by our forward elements. Shelling continued to be slight and sporadic with none being reported on crossing points along the PO RIVER.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Center Line</u>
IV Corps Arty AOP	580-954	-
424 FA Gp AOP	580-954	-
A Btry, 766 FA Bn	645-119	6200
B Btry, " " "	647-116	6300
C Btry, " " "	648-111	6100
A Btry, 633 FA Bn	588-087	6050
Hq 2 Med Regt	589-115	
		<u>Arc of Fire</u>
A Troop	582-122	360 degrees to 60 degrees
B Troop	579-125	360 degrees to 60 degrees
C Troop	593-115	300 degrees to 360 degrees
D Troop	596-115	300 degrees to 360 degrees
Hq 178 Med Regt	589-120	-
A Troop	583-126	300 degrees to 360 degrees
B Troop	588-125	300 degrees to 360 degrees
C Troop	589-124	300 degrees to 360 degrees
D Troop	583-122	300 degrees to 360 degrees
Q Btry, 17 Med Regt		
C Troop	590-129	330 degrees to 30 degrees
D Troop	589-128	330 degrees to 30 degrees

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	1
Other Targets	20
	<u>21</u>

c. Observation -

Air OP	2
Ground OP	1
Unobserved	<u>18</u>
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d. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 7 AGRA fired 3 preparation concentrations in support of 10 Mt Division in cleaning up of pockets of resistance on north side of the PO RIVER.

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d. Miscellaneous - (Cont'd)

- (2) 424 FA Gp fired 3 preparation concentrations in support of the 85 Division during the crossing of the PO RIVER.

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- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - Ea Div Arty
- 1 - Ea FA Gp
- 1 - Ea FA Bn (Corps Arty)
- 1 - OC, 111 Fd Regt
- 1 - OC 76 HAA Regt
- 1 - OC, 26 IAA Regt
- 10 - OC, 8 Survey Regt
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 241800B April to
251800B April 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 115

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Although good communication over the Corps front was lacking, no reports of shelling were received by the Counterbattery Officer. This would seem to confirm other evidence that strong enemy opposition south of VERONA is unlikely and that such artillery as the enemy has been able to salvage has been withdrawn to new defensive positions in the north.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Artillery Disposition and Movement -

Unit	Coordinates	Center Line
A Btry, 633 FA Bn	588-087	6050 μ
A Btry, 766 FA Bn	645-119	6200 μ
B Btry, 766 FA Bn	647-116	6300 μ

b. Targets -

Btry in position*	$\frac{1}{1}$
Total	$\frac{1}{1}$

c. Observation -

Air OP	$\frac{1}{1}$
Total	$\frac{1}{1}$

*No report available from 7 AGRA.

d. Miscellaneous -

1. The 633 FA Bn and 766 FA Bn both received "March Order" at 251600B in preparation for crossing the PO River.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 261800B April to
271800B April 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 117

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

No change.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Center Line</u>
424 FA Gp CP	598-456	
633 FA Bn CP	611-481	
A Btry, 633 FA Bn	618-494	200 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
B Btry, 633 FA Bn	634-499	6200 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
C Btry, 633 FA Bn	623-506	6400 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
8" How	623-503	6400 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
 766 FA Bn CP	 626-504	
A Btry, 766 FA Bn	614-511	6400 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
B Btry, 766 FA Bn	612-509	200 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
C Btry, 766 FA Bn	625-507	400 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
 7 AGRA Hq	 485-569	
2 Med Regt	495-583	
A Troop, 2 Med Regt	536-534	5680 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
B Troop, 2 Med Regt	542-533	5680 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
C Troop, 2 Med Regt	555-532	5680 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
D Troop, 2 Med Regt	551-532	5680 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
 17 Med Regt		
C Troop, 17 Med Regt	524-534	6220 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
D Troop, 17 Med Regt	522-537	6220 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
 178 Med Regt	 493-589	
A & B Troops	495-590	6220 $\cancel{\text{m}}$
C & D Troops	498-594	6220 $\cancel{\text{m}}$

b. Targets -

Btry in position	2
Vehicles	$\frac{1}{3}$
Total	3

Complete report not available from 7 AGRA.

c. Observation -

Air OP	1
Unobserved	2
Total	3

d. Miscellaneous -

None.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 271800B Apr to
281800B Apr 45

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1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

Due to disorganization in enemy forces and loss of weapons no estimate of enemy artillery dispositions can be made.

Enemy artillery activity confined to few rounds of flat trajectory fire from SP and AA weapons.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

IV Corps Arty CP	088-527
IV Corps Arty AOP	115-525

7 AGRA CP at 179-529. All units in assembly area in this vicinity.

424 FA Gp Hq and units moving at end of period to assembly area vicinity 08-52.

8 Survey Regiment	089-528
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b. Targets -

Personnel & AT Guns	2
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c. Observation -

Air OP	1
Ground OP	1
	2

d. Miscellaneous -

424 FA Gp marching on ASOLA (1832) encountered a pocket of resistance west of GOITO (3935). The 8" H of the 633 FA Bn and a platoon of the 766 FA Bn went into position and knocked out 3 anti-tank guns.

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APO 304, U S ARMY

Period: 281800B Apr to
291800B Apr 45

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NO. 119

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

a. Disposition and Movement -

No Change.

b. Artillery Activity -

No enemy shelling reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

IV Corps Arty CP	559-884
IV Corps Arty AOP	556-884
424 FA Group CP	537-906
633 FA Bn CP	542-908
(All btrys assembled in vicinity)	
766 FA Bn CP	560-901
(All btrys assembled in vicinity)	
7 AGRA CP	563-936
2 Med Regt CP	550-914
17 Med Regt CP vic Prembate Di Sonra	56-90 sq
8 Survey Regt CP	561-886

b. Targets -

Btry in Position	1
Harassing	15
	16

c. Observation -

Ground OP	1
Unobserved	15
	16

d. Miscellaneous -

8" H fired on enemy battery at 333-365. Adjustment by ground OP.
Results - One gun destroyed.

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Period: 291800B April to
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NO. 120

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY -

No activity reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS -

a. Disposition and Movement -

617 FA Obsn Bn - 527-918.

b. Targets -

No missions fired.

c. Miscellaneous -

- (1) Corps artillery is in bivouac vicinity PONTE S. PIETRO prepared to move on call where needed.
- (2) AOP patrol kept close surveillance of the progress of friendly armored and mechanized elements.

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APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 301800B Apr to
011800B May 45

S-2, S-3 REPORT
NO. 121

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY:

No activity reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

IV Corps Arty CP	K150750
IV Corps Arty AOP	K175-745
424 FA Group	K125-830
7 AGRA Hq	K010-650
617 FA Obsn Bn	K123-768

b. Targets -

No missions fired.

c. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 7 AGRA is following advance of 1 Armd Div.
- (2) 424 FA Gp is following advance of 34 Inf Div.

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- 6 - CC, 8 Survey Regt
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APO 304, U. S. Army

Period: 011800B May to
021800B May 45

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NO. 122

1. ENEMY ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE:

No activity reported.

2. CORPS ARTILLERY OPERATIONS:

a. Disposition and Movement -

424 FA Group - J 623-719
7 AGRA Hq - J 635-525

b. Targets -

No missions fired.

c. Miscellaneous -

- (1) 424 FA Gp following advance of 1 Armored Division.
- (2) 7 AGRA following advance of 34 Infantry Division.
- (3) German armies in Italy surrendered unconditionally at 1200B.

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